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*"Time was upon
The wing to fly away,
And I call'd on
Him but a while to stay;
But he'd be gone,
For sooth that I could say."*

Santa Claus restores John W. Langley's citizenship, so that he can now go back to Congress and make laws for breaking which other people will lose their citizenship.

About the only thing Boulder Dam will irrigate will be the pocketbooks of the lawyers, the amount of litigation to be impounded being estimated at 50 years' worth, with the world's largest spillway through the United States Supreme Court.

Mr. Langley will now be able to vote and hold office, which is more than the boy who is serving a life sentence in the Michigan Penitentiary for having half a pint of gin on the hip will be able to do unless the second French Revolution starts reasonably soon and the mob tears down the Bastille.

It is encouraging to report that King George has convalesced to the fourth page and will soon be completely out of all danger of the head-lines.

*"Where war with rashness is attempted, there
The soldiers leave the field with equal fear."*

We suspect that Bolivia and Paraguay won't get over being skeered of each other until they have proved for themselves how a little scrap cements an unstable friendship. As our favorite poet, Master R. Herrick, puts it,

*"That love 'twixt men do's ever longest last,
Where war and peace the dice by turns do cast."*

This is indeed a novel and interesting situation, overlooked by the ignorant framers of the Constitution, that Mr. Hoover will simply be President and let the Republican national committee run the country, but will the drys consent to have the political coconut palm shaken without the advice and consent of the Antisaloon League?

Half the ill-will of Europe could have been avoided if American politicians had told its people in the first place that the entire war debt would be canceled and our friends the Allies required to repay only what they borrowed after the armistice, but that would have involved telling the American people.

We don't care how fast Miss Ruth McConnell flies home, or by what route, and only hope that when she reaches her destination she will make no more sensational trips to the front page.

Sing Sing convict swallows a new stomach camera and gets a snapshot of the outside looking in.

We fear that the first time a United States Senator got hot under the collar over a Federal judgement he would look like a streak of blue lightning going past the door of the Republican national committee in the general direction of the White House.

Clyde Reed, Governor-elect of Kansas, announces that if necessary he will padlock the statehouse at Topeka to keep lobbyists from giving drinks to senators and representatives. It is heartening to note that at last a noble effort is to be undertaken to make the Nation's leading dry State dry.

Mr. Tilson wants an extra session of Congress on April 15, but maybe Mr. Hoover will favor April 1.

*Bacchus, trim my Christmas tree,
That on every branch I'll see
Pleasant sights to greet my eyes,
In pints, quarts, or any size,
So I shall escape the fate
Of poor dying Twenty-eight.
Do but this and there shall be
Offered up a bun to thee.*

Dr. Work isn't the only person in this country who is planning to re-elect Mr. Hoover of the trouble of picking a good man for an office.

Failure of the doctors to receive their liquor prescription books from Mr. Doran arouses their indignant wrath, owing to the serious epidemic of flu and Christmas in Washington.

Mr. Hoover may get back from South America just in time to make a good-will tour to the Senate.

Daddy Browning plays Santa Claus with the assistance of the riot squad and the kids of New York, like little Ben Franklin, pay dear for their whistle.

Young Cornelius Vanderbilt, with a million in his Christmas sock, isn't the first kid to discover that papa is Santa Claus.

JOYOUS SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS GRIPS CAPITAL

City Responds Gladly to Move for Brighter Yule Holiday.

PRESIDENT TO LIGHT CITY'S PUBLIC TREE

Communities and Individuals to Vie in Contests for Outdoor Decorations.

Christmas spirit grips the National Capital.

Slowly but surely the enthusiasm of the holiday season has been creeping upon those who dwell within the limits of Greater Washington until today, two days before Christmas, good will and peace toward fellow men is the watchword of the hour.

"A Brighter Community Christmas" has been the appeal of The Washington Post, and Greater Washington has responded as only the heart of the Nation can respond to a worthy cause.

A bright star of Bethlehem guided the three wise men to the manger of the Christ-child 1928 years ago, and since that moment symbols of light have marked each succeeding observance of Christmas.

This year's Christmas program in Greater Washington indicates a desire to spread cheer and joy to every home, with giving to the needy, a source of happiness for all who can afford to aid in such a cause.

Good Will Spirits in Evidence.

Few will be overlooked as Christmas Day arrives for individuals and charitable organizations, through annual appeals and private donations have arranged comfort and assistance to the poor, the sick and the friendless. Through all these preparations runs a spirit of good will to all.

For the United States of America, the Christmas season will be officially opened tomorrow night at 8 o'clock when President Calvin Coolidge, accompanied by Mrs. Coolidge, attends the ceremonies at the national Christmas tree in Sherman Square. The President has consented to turn on the lights illuminating this huge tree and the throwing of the switch, decimating the national tree will be a signal for similar demonstrations all over the country.

Many Homes Decorated.

Washington, with its reputation for beauty which brings visitors from all parts of the world, will uphold that reputation during the holiday period.

Homes of Washingtonians will be decorated as artistically as those in any other city. Communities within the borders of the District of Columbia will have celebrations and community trees. Washington will be the show place of the Nation between Christmas and New Year's as it is during the remainder of the year.

In the churches of the District the observance of Christmas begins today. Sermons on the birth of Christ predominate on programs for the morning and evening services with special choral singing of Christmas carols as additional features of the usual program.

Pageants by children of Sunday school age and by the young people's societies will be presented throughout the holiday week. Many churches have Christmas tree celebrations planned, at which candy and gifts will be distributed to the boys and girls of the congregations.

Children of the Naval Air Station at Anacostia and those living in the im-

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AIR CHASE HERO



Associated Press Photo.

DAVID OLAN MEEKER,
University of Rochester Medical
School senior, who followed Miss
Ruth McConnell across the continent
in airplane.

GIRL IN AIR PURSUIT HAS NARROW ESCAPE

Plane, With Ruth McConnell and Meeker, Hits Wire Fence on Reno Field.

RETURNING FROM COAST

Reno, Nev., Dec. 22 (U.P.)—Miss Ruth McConnell, Indianapolis heiress, and Dr. Olan Meeker, Rochester, N. Y. physician, returning East after their airplane train race to California, narrowly escaped injury when their airplane landed here tonight.

The airplane struck the top of a wire fence on the edge of the field careened dangerously on one wing, then finally righted itself on the far side of the field.

San Francisco, Calif., Dec. 22 (U.P.)—Miss Ruth McConnell, 20-year-old Indianapolis heiress, decided to leave here today by airplane to return to her Eastern relatives from whom she fled mysteriously earlier in the week. Miss McConnell's decision to go back in time to pass Christmas at home was reached at a conference with Dr. Olan Meeker, Rochester, N. Y. physician, who pursued her across the continent by airplane as she was traveling west on the Overland Limited.

"I'm sorry I have caused so much worry and trouble for my parents," she said. "I will be glad to go back and have a happy Christmas with them."

It was only after considerable persuasion that Dr. Meeker induced the girl to exercise her woman's prerogative of changing her mind and return East.

Dr. Meeker reached San Francisco by airplane Friday, 24 hours after Miss McConnell arrived by train. She had locked herself in her hotel room with the firm determination not to see Dr. Meeker, but he finally arranged to see her after a search of several hours at the Overland Limited.

One of the provisions in the present act is that it shall be the duty of the owner of any building three or more stories in height, or over 30 feet in height, constructed or used or intended to be used as a tenement house, apartment house, flat, hotel, hospital, seminary, academy, school, college, institution, dormitory, asylum, sanitarium, hall, place of amusement or office building or store, to have erected one or more fire escapes. It will be noted, officials point out, that no reference is made to the owners of rooming houses.

Proprietors Evade Law.

As a result of this loophole in the present act, many proprietors of small hotels, evade being licensed as such and also evade the necessity of building fire escapes by not serving meals in their establishment, thereby being able successfully to have their establishment come under the technical classification of rooming houses.

In some of these so-called "hotels," but which are nothing more nor less than small hotels which should come under the provisions of the act, Fire Marshal Seib said his inspectors reported persons living on the upper floors who would not have a chance of escape should fire break out at night.

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Washington and Baltimore were asked to stand by. The origin of the fire, in the opinion of Mr. Timanus, a former postmaster at Laurel, lay in defective electric wiring. It seemed to start in the roof near the chimney and was soon blazing away at several points. Water poured on the blaze formed into ice shortly after it fell on the building or the street in front and this hampered the work of the fighters.

Nearby Garage Damaged.

Another fact which handicapped the score or more volunteers who labored to extinguish the blaze and prevent its spreading to adjoining buildings was the inadequacy of the Laurel fire apparatus, which consists of a Ford fire truck, once the property of Hyattsville.

Mr. Timanus said, however, that a movement is now under way to equip the city with modern and adequate apparatus.

The theater loss included the loss of an organ which was installed about a year ago at the cost of several thousand dollars, exactly how much could not be determined, due to Mr. Merrill's disinclination to discuss the matter. Damage of about \$200 or \$300 was inflicted by the fire on the roof of the Midway Garage, to the right of the theater, although the residence of Gasper Kaiser, to the left escaped the flames.

Hundreds Watch Blaze.

In addition to the 1,000 or more which were in the theater, several hundred additional citizens of Laurel assembled in the square to watch the fire. As the volunteers of the Laurel department, assisted by fire fighters from the neighboring towns who came to their aid, got the flames under control, however, interest diminished and finally only a few were still on hand at 10 o'clock.

Great anxiety was displayed by the entire city during the early stages of the fire, and this was not lessened when it was definitely learned that every body had left the theater. Mothers and fathers who had permitted their children to attend the show rushed down the street panic stricken when they heard the theater was in flames, and did not calm down until they learned that the whole family was safe.

Mr. Timanus was the first to arrive at the scene. He entered the theater before the patrons had left and assisted in keeping them quiet and orderly. Among the others who assisted in fighting the fire were Fire Capt. G. W. Baker, J. Skaggs, H. W. Skaggs, F. J. Murphy, J. J. Murphy, J. J. Murphy, E. W. Stanton, Milton Baker and Frank Owens. This was not all, by any means, however, only those whose names could be obtained after the fire was under control.

Nearby Towns Offer Aid.

When the smoldering tar paper covering the roof of the theater burst into flames many passersby ran to telephones to notify the volunteer fire department. Dr. Heberson probably was the first to reach the fire and give the alarm, which was followed a second later by the screaming of the siren calling the volunteers together. Ellsworth, Fairlawn, of 312 Washington boulevard, saw the flames from his house two stories away and immediately called the volunteer fire department at Hyattsville. From there the alarm was spread to the other towns.

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Conference to Discuss Racial Discrimination

A call was issued yesterday by James L. Niel to national and local colored organizations to send delegates to the twenty-first annual meeting of the national race conference and Equal Rights League, to be held January 1-3, in Mount Baptist Church, Third and L streets northwest.

The Rev. William H. Jernigan, president of the conference, stated yesterday that the sessions would be devoted to discussion of the results of racial discriminations, alleged to exist in various departments of the Government, "so that emancipation may be fully realized 66 years after its inception."

Cash Register's Locks Foil Robber in Store

Inability of a well-dressed, soft-spoken young white man to open a cash register early last night saved the day's receipts for Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Toxon, when the robber finally gave up in despair after having held Mrs. Toxon at bay at the point of a pistol at the gun store about 7:45 o'clock while she was alone, pulled out a pistol and ordered her to make no outcry. Mrs. Toxon admitted that she would have opened the cash register had the young man told her to do so. After working unsuccessfully for several minutes the man left.

Mother of Two Girls Seriously Hurt by Auto

Mrs. Margaret Bate, 27 years old, of 3304 Eastern Avenue, northeast, was struck by an automobile yesterday and injured while in front of her home last night. She was taken to Casualty Hospital and treated for concussion of the brain, a partial fracture of the skull and severe lacerations.

The automobile, which struck Mrs. Bate, was driven by J. H. Melia, 34 years old, of Mount Rainier, Md. Mrs. Bate is the mother of two young daughters.

JURY IS GIVEN CASE AT KIDNAPING TRIAL

Prosecutors Send Families Away Under Barrage of Threats as Case Ends.

STATE ASKS THAT TWO DIE

Chicago, Dec. 22 (U.P.)—The Mafia's future in Chicago rested with a jury tonight at the end of a trial in which Black Hand terrorists murdered the State's star witness and made threats of death against the judge and prosecutors. Never before had Justice in Chicago labored under such a burden of wholesale intimidations as in the trial of three men accused of kidnaping 10-year-old Billy Ranieri, rich real estate man's son, and holding him thirteen days for \$60,000 ransom.

It was an open-and-shut case of life or death for the extortions and they fought with their backs to the wall. When Ole Scully, wealthy contractor, was subpoenaed and promised to testify against the "blackhands" they trapped him in a cafe 1-1/2 hours before he was due to appear in court and beat him to death. Next day Angelo Ranieri, one of the defendants in the extortions, was quoted as saying in court that Mike DiVito, another State witness, "will be the next man to die."

Today while prosecutors were demanding that the jury impose the death penalty on Peitti and Andrew Capellano, Billy's father, he was received by Alex Frank Ranieri, father of the kidnap victim, saying, "You die after Mike DiVito."

Judge Robert E. Gentzel, who had ordered a round-up of all extortions, was to be the last to leave the courtroom. The watchman, who may get the cane back, was brandishing it in a downtown store Friday showing what he would do if held up by robbers, testimony showed.

SWORD CANE CAUSES MAN'S ARREST



Louis Johnden, Post Staff Photographer.

Police Officer C. H. Baesgen, clerk in the park police headquarters, is shown here with the sword cane which took John E. Grady, 70-year-old night watchman, to Police Court yesterday, a visit that resulted in a suspended sentence of \$50 or 30 days, when Grady was convicted on a charge of carrying a concealed weapon.

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Wife's Remark Traps Man Hunted in \$2,800,000 Thefts

Kane, Alleged to Be Last of Noted "Boston Billy" Gang, Under Seven Murder Indictments; Charged With Livermore and Rockefeller Robberies.

Kenosha, Wis., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—A trip East to see his wife and her indiscreet remark to a private detective today had resulted in the arrest of Edward Kane sought two years as a member of the notorious "Boston Billy" gang, which perhaps as it lost four years ago to the Federal "clean-up" of Italian terrorists here. Hence their far-reaching campaign of intimidation.

Three Prisoners Freed.

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REPARATIONS PLANS INVOLVE U.S. DEBTS

America Expected to Absorb Most of Proposed Bonds Germany Will Issue.

TOTAL IS STILL PROBLEM

By ALBERT W. FOX.

American participation in the European reparation question will be conducted by the executive branch of the Government without the advice of the congressional Committee on the present program as tentatively outlined in Paris materializes. The negotiations and deliberations are to be "unofficial" so far as the United States is concerned, and Congress would only enter the picture with an agreement to the final financial adjustment of Germany's total reparation bill, and probable readjustment of war debt agreements which the allied powers have made with the United States.

From advance information gathered in diplomatic circles, it looks as if the general plan of operations in Europe is to be along this line:

First—The reparations commission will appoint two experts of British nationality, two French, two Italian, two Japanese, and two Americans, two citizens of the United States, of whom will ostensibly be private financial experts and none of whom will have plenipotentiary powers. Germany will appoint her own experts of the same kind.

The experts will be free to use their own judgment without influence from their respective governments though as a matter of practice the governments will really be functioning through these experts and each government will be kept advised of every move.

Bonds for Uncle Sam.

Second—the total of German reparations is to be agreed upon by the experts, which will ultimately follow issuance of German reparation bonds to be absorbed in the various countries by allotment, but in reality absorbed for the most part in the United States.

Third—German bonds would become due at least 25 years before the expiration of the 62-year period provided for the completion of the British war debt payment to America and, in the interest of uniformity and stabilization, there is to be a proposal to reduce the British debt to America as well as other debts owed to the American taxpayers.

The United States Government has all along taken the position that it would not like war debts which would be a burden to the taxpayers. But on the basis of this, it is assumed, is an unwillingness on the part of America to sacrifice the interests of the American taxpayers any more than they have already been sacrificed in completing arrangements to refund the debts.

The reparation of the debt agreements, in order to provide for earlier payment of the full amount to the United States might be worked out without sacrificing the taxpayers' interests, it is added.

Under the plan, in which the debt nations must pay to the United States, naturally upon the time consumed in paying it. Payment in 62 years involves an amount greatly in excess of the amount which would have been agreed upon within the same period. The actual value of the British debt agreement is now \$3,297,000,000, while that of Italy is \$426,000,000 and Belgium \$192,000,000.

Would Go to Congress.

No change can be made in the debt agreements as they stand without the approval of Congress so that any arrangements agreed upon by the experts would be closely examined from the standpoint of American interests before they could bind the United States.

There might admittedly be persuasive pressure brought to bear on the American Congress if settlement of the whole reparation problem depended upon the willingness of Congress to endorse adjusted debt agreements with provision for the payment of interest.

But it is apparently not desired that the American Congress interest itself in the negotiations leading up to the agreements, which may ultimately be reached. The Congress has no power or authority to interfere with the working out of the plan, it is pointed out, and the experts were to a measurable extent left free from the influence of their own governments until a solution had been reached.

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MISS RUTH MCCONNELL.

GIRL, CHASED IN AIR, "DRY" WAR MENACES STARTS BACK HOME KANSAS LAWMAKERS

Joins Pursuer, Dr. Meeker, in Plane; Nearly Wrecked at Reno Field.

SHE DENIES LOVE AFFAIR "PARTY" ALREADY HELD

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B. Coulter, an official of the Carolina Southern Railroad and New York capitalists, was the motive behind her flight.

"I just got tired of having my relatives and friends dictate to me," she said.

She had thought of the best way to send her to a sanitarium for treatment when I was not ill and I decided to come West and live my own life."

Dr. Meeker explained to her that the only reason he was sent after her when she started West was because Coulter was ill and she was concerned about her health and did not think she should be traveling alone.

Miss McConnell was ill during a trip to Europe recently and her family insisted that she remain near them. Dr. Meeker said.

On her arrival in San Francisco Thursday morning Miss McConnell professed to be mystified as to the reason Dr. Meeker explained to her that she was sent after her because she was ill.

Miss McConnell, San Francisco, Calif., was ill yesterday just a few minutes too late for him to overtake the Overland Limited and halt the girl's flight there.

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SUSPECT IN MURDER OF TEACHER IS HELD

Former Convict Had Fled After Assuring Parents He Is Not Slayer.

BLOOD IS FOUND ON COAT

Paris, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—A negro who officers said gave the same name and answered the description of the man sought in Carmi, Ill., in connection with the slaying of Miss Anna Preher, 47, a school teacher of Carmi, was arrested here today.

The negro, who gave his name as William Hoyt McMurry, was arrested as he stepped from a northbound train here. Conductor J. E. Sanderson had noticed police that the man had boarded the train at a station near Carmi.

Officers were on their way here to-night from Carmi to identify the prisoner.

The negro said he was from Terre Haute, Ind., and that he was on his way to St. Louis. He had \$37 and a pint of alcohol in his possession when arrested.

Carmi, Ill., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—A negro former convict was the object of a hasty search tonight in the slaying of Miss Anna Preher, middle-aged school teacher, whose body, with the head nearly severed, was found in her home yesterday.

The negro, Hoyt ("Mack") McMurry, 29 years old, was a bellboy and porter in a hotel, and the authorities said he was a thin, slim man. It was learned he was missing and a blood-stained coat was found in his home. The motive of the crime was believed to be robbery, after it was found that Miss Preher, as treasurer of the White Country Teachers Institute, had collected \$84, which was missing when her body was found.

Authorities in nearby cities were notified to watch for the negro. His father, Grenville McMurry, said his son was home for a few hours last night. The elder McMurry said he and his wife called their son into their bedroom and told him he was under suspicion as the slayer of the teacher.

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Divorce Given Wife Of J. C. Penney, Jr.

Former Marie Louise Condray Denies Charges Made by Husband.

Miami, Fla., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Marie Louise Condray Penney, 17 River side drive, New York, was given a decree of divorce today from James C. Penney, Jr., son of the chain store operator of the same name, and Mrs. W. O. Rigby of Topeka and Glenn L. Gandy, county attorney of Shawnee County.

Kansas lawmakers must drink as they vote while they are in Topeka, or even Kansas, and Reed has warned the lobbyists, whom he accused of giving attorney general's hatchet against saloons—was received with great surprise.

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Mother Convicted In Body Sale Case

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mans of Son in Fraud, Jury's Verdict.

Los Angeles, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—After only short deliberation, a jury in Federal Court convicted Mrs. Alice Sawyer, of Long Beach, Calif., today on five counts of using the mails to defraud in connection with her efforts to sell the alleged petrified body of her son.

She faces a maximum penalty of five years imprisonment on each count. Judge E. E. Henning set December 31 for the passing of sentence.

Mrs. Sawyer was tried on the complaint of John L. Stuts, Meridian Miss., railroad engineer, who charged that she obtained \$32,000 from him on account of the fact that he had son's supposedly petrified body sent to a scientific institution for a huge sum.

The proposed sale of the body came about when the grave in a cemetery at the Centro, Calif., caved in shortly after the youth's burial in 1923. Upon hearing of the accident, Mrs. Sawyer, who had been a widow for 10 years, was said to resemble petrification. A physician at the trial testified that an excessive use of embalming fluid probably caused the condition.

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\$500,000 Given to Aid Eye-Disease Research

St. Louis, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—A Christian gift of \$500,000 to Washington University for an institute for research and study of eye, ear and nose diseases as a memorial to the late Senator George F. Hoar, was announced yesterday.

Mr. Hoar, 81, of Worcester, Mass., was a member of the Senate for 34 years and was approaching 88.

The fastest talker that he ever had, Senator Hoar, declared yesterday, was Senator William A. Clark, of Arkansas, who died in 1910. So rapid and so indistinct was Clark's speech, the veterans of the Senate were hard put to follow him.

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TILSON URGES EXTRA SESSION ON APRIL 15

Best Date, House Leader Says, to Consider Farm Relief and Tariff Changes.

HIS VIEWS IN STATEMENT

(Associated Press.)

Representative Tilson, of Connecticut, the House Republican leader, believes that April 15 would be a proper time for the convening of an extra session of Congress to consider tariff revision and farm relief legislation.

Declaring that he was certain no one could speak with authority as to whether or when President-elect Hoover would call a special session, the majority leader said he felt such a session would be called in the event no generally acceptable farm relief legislation was passed at the present session. He added few members of the House seemed hopeful that a satisfactory farm relief measure would be passed at this session.

Tilson said that if the coming Congress was to undertake the revision of the tariff, which must be general, the work should be done as easily as possible and before any other subject but farm relief legislation was taken up.

With one house considering tariff revision and the other farm relief in a session called about April 15, Tilson said, better legislation affecting those problems probably would result in much shorter time than at a later date. The laws could become effective before July 4, he added.

Gives Views In Statement.

The majority leader disclosed his views in a statement issued yesterday in which he declared he spoke "for one but myself."

Speaking on the House ways and means committee had completed plans to hold hearings in January and February on the proposed tariff revision. Tilson said this was done so that a tariff bill could be prepared within six weeks of March 1 and be reported to the House for action.

"If the extra session should convene on April 15," Tilson continued, "consideration in the House could be completed before May 15. Meanwhile, the Senate could hold its hearings on the bill prior to the House so that immediate consideration could be begun in that body. In this way ample consideration could be given in both houses and the bill could become a law before July 4."

Would Waive Differences.

Tilson said that he believes his plan could be "rapidly carried out provided there is a reasonable disposition to waive minor differences and act together promptly for the public good."

"Many believe that additional tariff legislation is a necessary part of any complete solution of the farm and the farm problems and they will insist upon such legislation," Tilson said. "It is also certain that any tariff legislation at all means a general revision. While a large proportion of the rates need to be substantially unchanged they must all be considered as one complete whole for many of the items are interrelated and many of the items are independent."

"If the tariff is to be revised by the Senate as early as possible and before Seventy-first Congress it should be done in the House except where a bill is taken up. It can be done during the early months of the new administration in half the time that would be required six months later and I venture to say that a better bill can be passed earlier than later."

Gen. Hamilton's Wife Dies in Hawaii Barracks

Special to The Washington Post. Petersburg, Va., Dec. 22.—A cablegram received here today announced the death of Mrs. Nannie Creel Hamilton, wife of Gen. Alston Hamilton, at Schofield Barracks, near Honolulu, H. I. Mrs. Hamilton was a sister of Charles L. Plummer, of this city. She underwent a surgical operation three weeks ago from which she was thought to be recovering.

The news of her death came as a shock to her sister and to Mrs. Creel, her mother, who lives with Mrs. Plummer. Mrs. Hamilton was born in Louisville.

C. H. Gage, Inventor, 60, Dies Suddenly at Hotel

Charles H. Gage, 60, years old, died suddenly last night in his room at the National Hotel. Dr. C. Bacon, resident physician of the hotel, said that death was due to heart disease.

Mr. Gage has lived at the hotel for about ten years with his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Gage. He was an inventor and had patented several tools.

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Langley Regains Citizen's Rights by Coolidge Pardon

Former House Member Was on Parole in Whisky Conspiracy Case.

(Associated Press.)

President Coolidge has granted a full pardon to former Representative John W. Langley, of Kentucky, restoring him to citizenship. Langley was convicted of conspiracy to violate the prohibition laws and served a term in the Federal Penitentiary at Atlanta. His wife, Katherine Langley, was elected to his seat in the House. The defendant's action was taken on a recommendation from Attorney General Sargent.

Langley was indicted here in March, 1924, with five others on charges of conspiracy to illegally withdraw whisky from Government storage, and was confined to Covington, Ky., a few months later. He was sentenced to two years in prison.

At that time he was serving his ninth term as a member of the House and was chairman of the public buildings and grounds committee.

After the Supreme Court declined to review Langley's case he resigned from the House and began his sentence in Atlanta in January, 1928. He appealed to the courts of his district to send Langley to take his place in the House "to save his honor." Mrs. Langley won the election and was reelected last November.

A parole was granted the former rep-



JOHN W. Langley.

League Hopes U. S. Will Discuss Opium

New Note Asks Collaboration, Despite Refusal to Participate.

(United Press.)

Despite American refusal to participate in further League of Nations discussion of the opium traffic, the league has expressed the hope that the United States will continue "practical collaboration," according to a note made public at the State Department yesterday.

The communication was received by Secretary of State Kellogg in his note regarding the league invitation. Kellogg explained that the United States was not satisfied with the agreement reached during the 1925 opium conference from the American delegation, which withdrew when a rigid control project was rejected.

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ADVANCE ON BORDER FALSE, SAYS BOLIVIA

Official Denial Is Made of
Concentration Reported
by Paraguay.

ARGENTINA FEARS CLASH

La Paz, Dec. 22 (U.P.)—The undersecretary for foreign relations has denied the allegations of Bolivian troop movements as reported by the Paraguayan newspaper La Patria, in Asuncion.

Asuncion, Paraguay, Dec. 22 (U.P.)—A possibility of new fighting on the Bolivian-Paraguayan frontier was mentioned today in reports published by the newspaper La Patria that 3,500 Bolivian troops were marching on the City of Bahia Negra, in the disputed Chaco frontier region. The reports were not confirmed from other sources. A Bolivian attack on Bahia Negra, which is in Paraguayan territory, might make up the Pan-American conference efforts to smooth out the recent crisis between the two countries, La Patria pointed out.

RUMORS ARE SPREAD.

Reporters of Bolivian military activities in the border wilderness spread in the city.

The newspaper El Liberal said today that stocks of airplanes and gasoline were being laid in an Argentine province and that three new sheds had been built to be used for storage of such materials. Large signs reading "Jorge Aleman, purveyor for southeastern Bolivia," were on the sheds.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 22 (U.P.)—Daily troop movements on the Bolivian-Paraguayan frontier were reported today by the Asuncion correspondent of the newspaper La Prensa.

The correspondent said that Paraguayan soldiers were leaving the capital every day and that the forces were all headed toward the Chaco. News reached where earlier battles have occurred between the border military patrols of both countries.

Water Route Employed.

The movement has been by the water route on boats up the Paraguay River, the correspondent said. He added that in spite of orders prohibiting women from accompanying the soldiers, several boat loads of women camp followers left for the border district.

The continuous passing of troops through the country roads and unusual activity in government departments have been the only outward signs of other than the tranquil situation which has prevailed since both Bolivia and Paraguay joined the good offices of the Pan-American conference in Washington in the settlement of their recent crisis.

Paraguayans fear that the presence of Bolivian forces in the Chaco country may provide new fights, despite the recent statement of the Pan-American Conference is making satisfactory progress toward adjustment of the dispute, La Prensa's correspondent said.

General opinion from well informed circles here today indicated consensus that the conference should have each country withdraw soldiers from the Chaco to avoid fresh battles.

BRAZIL LAUDS U. S. POLICIES

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on his left. A bell rang to bring the president to order and then the president of the senate delivered in his native tongue a dramatic speech dealing with the friendship of Mr. Hoover as President. He hailed as a good omen the selection of an engineer as a Chief Executive, saying that this was an age of engineers.

Dr. Barroso delivered a welcome in a similar tone. After which Mr. Hoover arose with manuscript in hand. Again the senators and deputies came to their feet applauding, and the President-elect bowed right and left in acknowledgment.

His speech, read in English and later translated into Portuguese, contained a declaration that new forms of greed and tyranny growing from new discoveries must be met with wise restraint. This sentiment was heartily received.

Proceeding to the supreme court building a few blocks away, another crowd greeted Mr. Hoover. He was met at the door of the court by Dr. Godofredo Cunha, president of the tribunal. A band in an inner hallway played the Star-Spangled Banner as the guest was escorted to a reception room on the second floor.

Thanks Supreme Court.

Formalities were dispensed with Dr. Barroso, who was in his office while crowds were still seeking to fight their way into the room, despite efforts of the police to restrain them. Members of the court in their long robes surrounded their president and Mr. Hoover.

The law was applied briefly to the welcome by the court, thanking the august body for the high honor of receiving him. He also outlined his own idea that the growing complexity of civilization has placed upon the duty of the court of international concepts of justice to meet these new forces and agencies.

From the court Mr. Hoover proceeded to the American Embassy where for an hour, with Mrs. Hoover, who spent most of the day buying Christmas presents, he was entertained by the colony and other visitors who flowed through the building in a steady stream.

After snatching about 60 minutes, the Hoovers late in the evening went to the presidential palace for a State dinner. There was a brilliant company of guests, including diplomats and members of the American Naval and the French Military Missions to Brazil.

Help Friend of Humanity.

Greeting Mr. Hoover as a friend of humanity, President Washington Luis said:

"He is undoubtedly a great representative of a great nation. He possesses and has carried to a very high degree, all the virtues of the noble people to whom he belongs."

After reviewing Mr. Hoover's work in and since the war, the Brazilian President said with a dramatic gesture:

"Were it still permitted to concede titles, I would demand for Mr. Hoover the title of 'friend of humanity.' The qualities of his aspirations and of the ideals which have put in evidence the name of Hoover Town a substratum, a basic condition of that already formed race which already constitutes a people that already organized nation in North America which at this moment keeps and maintains the highest type of civilization."

"Its political institutions are original and splendid. Their manner and deportment are dignified and dignified. They powerfully confirm Republics, democracy and give satisfaction to our present day anxieties and aspirations."

Schoolboy Killed in Crash.

Monroe, Conn., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—In a collision of automobiles after a short race, Lincoln Baker, a high school boy, was killed early today. Two boys and two girls riding with him were hurt.

FIREMEN PREPARE BASKETS FOR CITY'S NEEDY



Hugh Miller, Post Staff Photographer.

Pursuant to a vote of members of the City Firefighters' Association to utilize dues collected during the month of December for Christmas charity, baskets were prepared at No. 7 truck house yesterday. Left to right, Capt. W. N. Green, N. O. Teates, Lieut. R. E. Moreland, F. J. Herndon and J. H. Shimp.

ADDRESSES BY MR. HOOVER

Rio Janeiro, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Herbert Hoover, representing President Washington Luis Brazil, at a banquet in the National Palace tonight said:

"We all have something vital to contribute to each other and it is especially from these exchanges that contacts that gain the respect and esteem which so greatly strengthen the foundations of international friendship.

"I feel our intellectual exchanges must be expanded beyond the daily news, motion pictures and other incidents. They can not give a full cross-section of the national culture of any country.

"The news is concerned with the events of the day and unfortunately wickedness is often greater news than righteousness, the responsive sentiments of any country.

"I know that on these occasions it is usual to refer to that unbroken span of good will which traverses the whole history of our two continents. Nor is it trite or unpropitious to make voice to the people of Brazil for more lofty appreciations and for more vital force in their expressions and experiences is but the glow of a responsive human heart.

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Peace Through Affection.

"Never has a cloud passed even in our dry words of diplomatic communication. Public opinion between our two peoples has always been most

"No one could fail to be moved by the hundreds of thousands of smiling men and women who, in demonstration of the feeling they have toward my countrymen. No language can interpret the overwhelming waves of friendliness of the people of your great city. I hope my visit here will be accepted as the responsive sentiments of 110,000,000 of my countrymen toward the people of Brazil."

"I am offering no criticism of these agencies, but I only hope that we may definitely organize and greatly enlarge those exchanges to make for more lofty appreciations and for more vital force in their expressions and experiences is but the glow of a responsive human heart.

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Address to Senators.

"My President, I would that I could adequately express the admiration which we have for the beautiful city which is proof of the progress of a great nation. And again I should like to express appreciation for the gratitude which you and my colleagues feel toward you and the people of Brazil for the reception which you have given to us.

"It demonstrates the charming courtesy which we have given to each other.

"In conclusion I pray that Divine Providence may continue to guide the leaders of our country in those conditions which are so favorable for mutual good will which the individuals of our countrymen. And I wish to express my admiration for the leadership you have given a great nation."

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THRILL IS CHIEF JOY OF PARACHUTE LEAP

Professional Fliers, However, Oppose Stunt; Mishaps React on Calling.

FEW FIELD ACCIDENTS

By HENRIETTA GEE.

Probably the greatest vicarious thrill which a good showman can offer his public is a parachute jump.

To most of us who scurry around in cities all day long, like so many frightened rabbits, intent on following the kind of routine that will yield the largest pay envelope with the minimum amount of emotional wear and tear, there is something about the audacious, grotesque bundle that will get into an airplane, go up thousands of feet, walk calmly out onto a wing and deliberately jump earthward when nothing but steady nerves, a thin bit of silk and an inexpressible amount of good luck will enable it to reach the ground in safety.

Professional Fliers Oppose It.

It is a performance that awes the most volatile adventurer in the crowd watching below. People stare without speaking, without breathing, at the parachute jumper all during the course of his slow descent. Why? Not because they hope he'll fall; nothing could induce the average person to go near an exhibition if the end was certain to be catastrophe. How can a flying human being be deliberately risk death for the sake of a thrill, or a stake of money, or the admiration of the crowd, and then come out alive somehow restores our wavering faith in Santa Claus, Cinderella, or the unexpected legacy that everybody hopes

That's the way the conservative layman, huddled on the ground, reacts to exhibition parachute jumping. Professional aviators, however, quite another story. They discount all forms of jumping and stunt flying, but failure in a performance reacts badly on their profession. A pilot, they say, must be trained in acrobatics and certainly must be prepared to jump from a plane in an emergency, but not simply to make a Roman holiday for the crowd. As a vocation parachute jumping seems to be doomed.

Perhaps it never was extremely profitable, but it was one of those free-lance occupations that yielded a reasonable satisfaction, according to both old-timers and the present generation of professionals. Its forerunner was the balloon ascension at the county fair, with a beautiful lady in spangled tights walking elegantly out to the basket of the balloon. The basket, of course, it swayed darkly above the crowd, and privileged, indeed, were the small boys who were allowed to soil their best clothes holding its greasy ropes just before the ascent. Great excitement was provided by the small figure floating away, and the great figure floated up with his outspread parachute, usually into the meadow nearest the fair grounds.

Now Wears Sports Attire.

Today if a woman is to do a jump she uses a well-tailored silk skirt, linen breeches, leather boots and a concession to her calling a helmet. Occasionally she puts on a coverall, and, of course, with the plane she mounts several thousand feet instead of several hundred feet as was customary in the old balloon ascensions.

In both eras she has obeyed the mottoes "Roll Your Own Chute" and "Get the Money First." If the occasion still is a county fair, the merchants are expected to advance a considerable sum of money for the privilege of advertising the jump, and also grant the parachute jumper and her partner the right to sell rides to a public emboldened by their exhibition.

Usually the blanket fee advanced ranges from \$500 to \$2,000, and for repeat performances the money is collected and put in the bank before the stunt takes place.

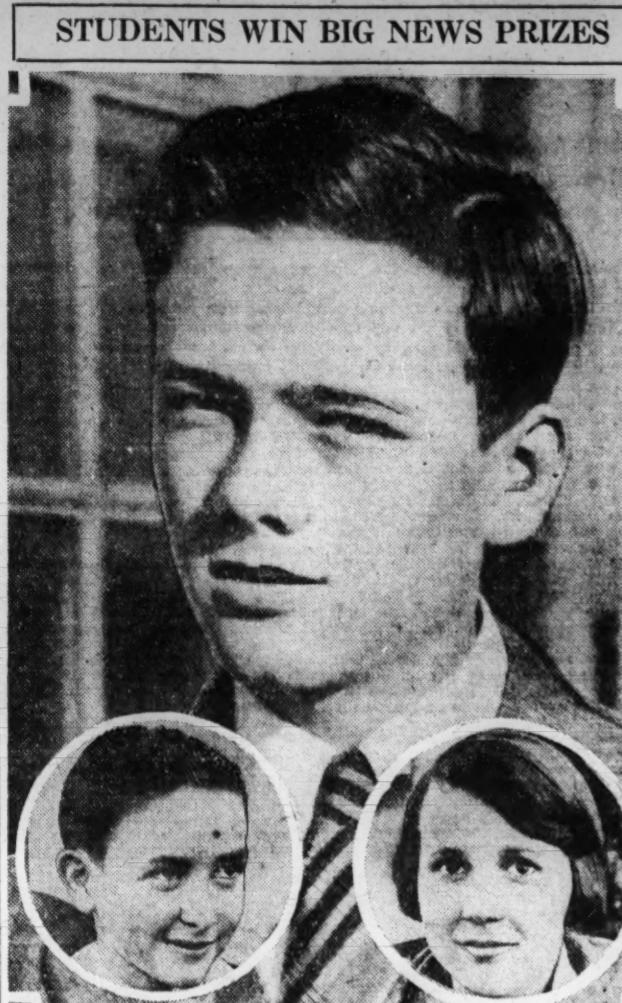
But if the occasion is merely a normal Saturday or Sunday afternoon at the neighborhood flying field, and the plane jumper and pilot collect the money in advance, it is apt to range from \$50 to \$100 depending on the willingness of the crowd to part with quarters, halves and dollar bills.

If the crowd is not inclined to be liberal, the parachute jumper retaliates by merely walking or hanging from a ladder by the neck, unless, as is often the case, the thrill of the drop compensates him for the lack of dramatic encouragement.

Thrill is the Real Secret.

That thrill is the real secret of the parachute jumper's love of his work, this rather limited profession they still talk about one old-timer who used to enhance the thrill of wing walking and chugging planes in midair by a few cocktails just before the events took place.

The event that I consider the "Big News" of the week occurred last Monday morning when the British pilot Ray Miller on "The Sinking of the Ventriss" is reprinted today. It is as follows:



Top, Ray Miller, Central High School, quarterly prize winner. Bottom, Frederic Keough, Jr., Devitt School, and Doris Griffin, Brightwood Junior High School, victors in fifth week of essay writing.

Central High School Boy Wins Place on Post Staff

Quarterly Prize in "Big News" Contest Goes to Ray Miller.

Ray Miller, 3001 Connecticut avenue, a student at Central High School, is the winner of the Washington Post's "Big News" contest quarterly prizes.

He will receive \$20 in cash and the opportunity of joining the staff of The Washington Post for a week during the Christmas holidays with pay. Previously the winner had received \$5 as winner of the essay-writing contest for the first week.

Mabel Pain, Fourth street and Seaton place northeast.

Margaret Morgan, 1751 New Hampshire avenue.

Novice Neely, Clarendon, Va.

Robert Tillet, Barcroft, Va.

Margaret Benson, Bethesda, Md.

Helen E. Boyle, 2101 Third street northeast.

Dennis Ladd, Cherrydale, Va.

M. Louise Dinwiddie, Alexandria, Va.

Anne Woodward King, 712 Allison street northwest.

Students Gain Places On Essay Honor Roll

The following students writing essays in the fifth week of the "Big News" contest were given honorable mention by the judges:

Morton Wolfson, 1416 Irving street northwest.

Tom Johnston, Falls Church, Va.

Bernard Brady, 818 Farragut street.

Margaret Morgan, 1751 New Hampshire avenue.

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WOMAN CONFESSES SLAYING "HUSBAND"

Story They Told at Hospital of Gang Fight Untrue, She Tells Police.

DESERTED REAL SPOUSE

New York, Dec. 22 (N.Y.W.N.S.)—The losing struggle which Mrs. Anna Willison was waging to retain the love of the man who in her own eyes was her real husband, although she had known he was simply the son of the hoodlum who had legal spouse three years ago created an unbearable situation from which, in a moment of rage, she was led to stab him six times with a kitchen knife.

Such was the story which Mrs. Willison, 31, told to police Saturday night when she walked into the West Thirtieth street police station to charge herself with murder.

Herbert Willison, the man with whom she chose to cast her lot, died today in the Bellevue hospital stab wounds. He was admitted to the hospital early last Thursday.

Accompanied by his common-law wife, they told a story of a gang fight at Eleventh avenue and Thirty-sixth street, in which he received his wounds, and from which she assisted him to ring true.

It is true, however, was denied to-night by Mrs. Willison. The actual facts she would not reveal.

She stated that their marriage, sordid as it may have been, was approaching its end when she was convinced her husband was consorting with other women, she trailed him shortly after December 20, 1927, to a rooming house, with a woman, she told detectives, someone, she got him back to their home. There they fought and he tried to strangle her, she declared, and threw pots and pans at her. Then she stabbed him six times with the kitchen knife.

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CHURCH, PARSONAGE SPRAYED WITH SHOT

Shooting From Speeding Auto at Lansdowne Is Laid to Angry Bootleggers.

DENOUNCED BY PASTOR

Baltimore, Dec. 22.—Baltimore County police were searching today for the man who set a gasoline bomb that raced through Laverne avenue early yesterday and sprayed the Lansdowne Methodist Episcopal Church and parsonage with gunfire.

Three of the bullet holes struck the front window of the church and the fourth bullet shattered a window in the parsonage and lodged in an inner door. Members of the family of the pastor, the Rev. Gordon G. Jones, were all affected, with the sedan sped through Laverne avenue with gun barrels bristling from its side.

The police believe the shooting was done by bootleggers whom the clergyman had antagonized. He spoke from his pulpit Sunday night of a "bootlegging joint" in Lansdowne and afterward a bootleg resort in the sub-

urb was spied.

Has Been Mild, Says Pastor.

Mr. Jones, however, said today that he has been mild in his preachments for prohibition and against bootlegging.

He recalled his mention of a Lansdowne bootleg place in his sermon last Sunday night, but said that as a rule he speaks only for law enforcement of all kinds.

Mr. Jones' home is at 144 Laverne avenue and the church is some little distance away, at the corner of Laverne and Baltimore avenues. It was some time after midnight when the sedan sped through Laverne avenue with gun barrels bristling from its side.

The clergyman, his wife and nine children, most of whom are small, were sleeping in the house when the dark. The entire neighborhood was quiet, except for the low drumming of the automobile motor.

Believed It Was Backfire.

The car was traveling south. As it arrived abreast of the parsonage the early morning stillness was cracked by the crash of a gun shot, followed by the crack of a gun at the window in the parsonage was split.

Most of the Laverne avenue residents who heard the report concluded it was the backfiring of an automobile and, as the night was cold, they did not even bother to investigate, they said.

William Pyle was still up and said he recognized the crack as the report of a pistol. He ran out of doors, he continued, in time to see the car turning around. It raced north and three more shots were fired as it passed the church.

The car was moving swiftly and the three shots aimed at the church came closely after the one sent at the parsonage, those who heard them said. Mr. Pyle said the sedan's single tail light was out, and he could not see its license plate.

\$1,000,000 IS GIVEN TO YOUNG VANDERBILT

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his attorney, Max D. Steuer. Worthless stocks said to aggregate \$600,000 had been paid out in dividends on the strength of forged guarantees of the erstwhile editor, he learned.

"I think we know the name of the man who has been forging my name to the stock guarantees," Vanderbilt declared. "He is a society man and our investigators report he has just fled to Canada."

"I have been told this man was able to induce a friend of mine to part with \$52,000 for worthless securities after he had been shown a forged letter in which I was purposed to guarantee them."

Young Vanderbilt declared he would pass Christmas on his ranch, 40 miles from Reno, Nev., where he has established a home for his bride, the former Mrs. Alice Wells, of Chicago. Their marriage took place a few hours after the divorce decree which parted Cornelius and his first wife, the former Rachel Littleton, became final.

Checks to be Mailed.

Going into the details of his big Christmas gift, young Cornelius explained that the \$1,000,000 in cash from his father and mother would be more than paid for him on Christmas Eve at the Citizen Trust & Savings Co., in Los Angeles. From there checks will be sent out to those who lost money in the launching of the now defunct Vanderbilt papers in San Francisco, Los Angeles and New York. It was only a year ago that young Vanderbilt, writing for a paper then employing him, told of Christmas in the Vanderbilt mansion, and declared:

"The memory of many a dream Christmas spent within the walls of a huge Fifth avenue mansion still lingers to me to this day. I was so starved for a word of genuine affection that I often bit my lips to keep the tears from my eyes. The atmosphere in the family circle at Christmas was so formal I was never able to express my thoughts in affectionate phrases I had on my lips. These were never uttered, and cold dignity took the place of the loving embrace I had expected."

"The air on Christmas Day was the valet's salutation in a frigid voice, 'Time to get up, Master Nell,' and as an after thought—'It's Christmas morning, sir' also in a frigid tone."

"Every Christmas we were not allowed to play, unless spoken to and were supposed to rest for the strenuous evening ahead."

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Convict Swallows Cameras; Doctors Snapshot Stomach

100 Physicians and Surgeons Assist at Experiment at Sing Sing That Tests Apparatus for Floodlight Pictures of Human Interior.

Ossining, N. Y., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Demonstration of a "gastro-camera" which takes pictures of the stomach from the inside was made before 100 physicians and surgeons at Sing Sing Prison to-night with a concert as the "batory" demonstration said that the invention was expected to be of great aid in the study and treatment of cancer and stomach disorders.

The camera is the invention of Franz Gerard of Vienna, Austria. Dr. Lawrence L. Ladd, of New York, was in charge of the demonstration. Alexander Volero, a 40-year-old prisoner from Brooklyn, serving a sentence of 20 years to life swallowed the camera. He was selected because he recently had been operated on for a gastric ulcer and

the doctors wished to see how the wounds had healed.

The apparatus used consists of a rubber tube about 25 inches long and about five-eighths of an inch in diameter. About 9 inches from the end of the hollow tube, which is shoved down the throat, is a small cylinder-shaped camera, 2 inches long and about half an inch in diameter, equipped with tiny lens and tiny film. Just above the camera a short section of the tube is perforated, and through this the point of a wire is passed. The wire runs a fine wire. This wire, when the camera is operated, lights up like the wire in an ordinary electric lamp, only more brilliantly.

Just above the perforated part of the rubber tube is another camera of the

Post Thrift Plan Will Open Your Saving Club

The Washington Post is offering to open and maintain a Christmas savings account for each subscriber to The Post. One dollar will be placed to your credit in a bank of your own choice for each three-month subscription received.

Details of this offer and subscription blanks will be found in advertisements appearing from day to day in The Washington Post. Clip your subscription blank now and start saving for next Christmas. Old and new subscribers share alike in this thrift plan.

same type and size as the bottom one. When the plunger is pressed the wire flares, a floodlight illuminates the stomach and the picture is snapped.

The operation, the doctors said, is only a little more difficult than swallowing a stomach pump, and it was believed would have no ill effect on the patient.

There are eight films in each camera which, combined, would not be larger than a postage stamp. With the one

camera, 16 different sections of the stomach are photographed on the

Finger Prints Bare Records Of Postoffice Applicants

Numerous men with bad records who sought jobs at the Washington post office during the Christmas rush period were discovered through finger print

records, Civil Service Commission officials revealed yesterday.

Among typical cases cited by commissioners was one of an applicant who was an inmate of the reformatory at Cheshire, Conn., in 1920 for burglary and larceny; a second arrested in 1917 for false pretenses, and a third arrested at Pasadena, Calif., in 1920, for passing bad checks; at Oakland, Calif., the same year for embezzlement, and at Dallas, Tex., in 1925, for theft. Each time he gave a different name.

Many others with police records were found among applicants through finger prints. The full value of the system is not shown by the number apprehended, commissioners explained, but by the fact that most men with criminal records fail to apply when they learn they are to be finger printed.

The commission's finger printing system is now being applied in 250 cities, including Washington, and, when the new law is passed by Congress, all persons who are considered for classified civil service will be finger printed.

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26 35c quality, reduced to 29c
18 50c quality, reduced to 39c
22 75c quality, reduced to 59c

9 Handkerchiefs of fine all-silk crepe "tied and dyed"; sold for \$1.50. Now \$1.15
12 Japanese Silk Handkerchiefs in hand block designs, rolled edges; sold for \$1.00. Now 79c
7 Finest French Linen, hand rolled edges, beautiful designs and colors; were \$1.50 and \$2.00. Now \$1.29
21 of the famous Pyramid English woven Handkerchiefs; were 50c. Now 39c

Scarfs

7 Beautiful Rayon Scarfs, block dyed; sold for \$2.95. Now \$1.69 each
9 Scarfs in black and blue on white, checks and fancy designs; sold for \$2.85. Now \$1.89 each
5 Heavy Shantung Silk Scarfs, hand block design in beautiful colorings; were \$4.95. Now \$2.98 each.
7 Heavy Satin Brocade, Persian design, dark colorings; were \$5.95. Now \$3.98 each
42 Eagle Crepe Scarfs, white, gray, and tan; sold for \$1.65. Now \$1.39, 3 for \$4.00

Windbreakers

Tan, gray, brown and black leather and suede; almost all styles, colors and sizes in each lot:
5 Brown and Black Leather; sold for \$11.95. Now \$9.85
6 Tan and Gray Suede; sold for \$11.95. Now \$9.85
3 Gray and Tan, with turn-down collars; sold for \$14.95. Now \$11.95
2 Cloth and Leather Golf Coats, one size 36, one size 42; sold for \$22.50. Now \$13.85
4 Light Tan, fine suede windbreakers; sold for \$16.50. Now \$13.85
2 Tan Suede Jackets; sold for \$19.50. Now \$14.95

Odds and Ends for Gifts

1 Malacea Folding Cane in leather case; was \$15.00. Now \$11.95
25 Gold Plate Bill Clips, nearly all initials; were \$2.00. Now \$1.15
3 Combination Flask and Mixing Sets; were \$10.50. Now \$6.98
2 Traveling Clocks, Venetian leather cases; were \$12.00. Now \$8.95
1 Traveling Clock, hand sewed cowhide case; was \$10.00. Now \$7.65
1 Desk Clock, red enamel frame; was \$7.50. Now \$4.95
2 Flasks, leather covered; were \$5.00. Now \$3.98
6 Key Chains, soldered links; were \$2.00. Now \$1.39
3 Cigarette Boxes, enameled in brilliant colors; were \$1.50. Now 98c
2 Ash Trays, art glazed pottery with nickel trim; were \$1.95. Now 98c
1 Ash Tray, art bronze; was \$8.95. Now \$5.95
1 Cigarette Box, art bronze; was \$9.00. Now \$5.95
1 Cigar and Cigarette Box, art bronze; was \$25.00. Now \$16.95
1 Ink Well Desk Tray, Lion's head design; was \$4.95. Now \$3.69
1 Ash Tray Set; was \$1.00. Now 69c
3 Ash Tray Stands of wrought iron; were \$6.95. Now \$4.98
6 Cigarette Lighters, Wales make, leather covered; were \$7.50. Now \$3.85
8 Cigarette Lighters, Wales make in platinum finish; were \$5.00. Now \$2.85
4 Cigarette Lighters and Cigarette Case Combinations, enameled in colors; were \$8.00 and \$10.00. Now \$5.98
2 Cigarette Lighters and Cigarette Case Sets, Morocco leather; were \$10.00. Now \$5.98
1 Dress Set, studs, links, vest buttons and cigarette lighter, Mother of Pearl; sold for \$20.00. Now \$12.98
2 Cigarette Cases, Venetian leather; were \$5.00. Now \$3.95

We have collected from our stock a few here---a few there---and put a special price on them for

Christmas Eve Only

SHOP EARLY to make your selection from this list, for at these prices we know that they will last for only a few hours.

\$40 and \$45 Haddington Suits and Overcoats



\$31

Any way you look at it—this Haddington event is unusually interesting. Firstly, because of the great reduction in price—secondly, because of its timeliness. Ordinarily a man would be willing, and justly so, to buy a Haddington suit or overcoat at the fair, regular price of \$40 or \$45. For he knows that Haddington represents all the tailoring refinements that could possibly be put into a suit of clothes.

Golf Hose

Plain colors and fancy designs of many patterns, sizes 10 to 12; not all patterns in all sizes:
15 pairs; sold for \$2.50. Now \$1.79. 2 pairs for \$3.50
12 pairs; sold for \$3.50. Now \$2.69. 2 pairs for \$5.00
14 pairs; sold for \$5.00. Now \$3.95. 2 pairs for \$7.50
5 pairs; sold for \$7.50. Now \$5.98. 6 pairs; sold for \$10.00. Now \$7.69

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Belts

19 Pigskin Belts, black or tan; sold for \$1.50. Now \$1.00
11 Assorted Braided Leather Belts; sold for \$2.50. Now \$1.39
20 Initial Buckles and Belts, enameled and silver plated buckles; sold for \$1.85. Now \$1.29
9 Black Cowhide Belts with silver plated buckles; sold for \$2.50. Now \$1.69

Tie and Handkerchief Sets

16 Tie and Handkerchief Sets, plain color silks and printed foulards; sold for \$1.50. Now \$1.15

Lumberjack Shirts

5 Shirts with web bottoms; were \$6.00. Now \$2.95

Robes

4 Beacon Blanket Robes with slippers to match; sold for \$6.95. Now \$5.85
8 Fine Brocade Robes, satin collars, assorted colors; sold for \$10.50. Now \$8.85
3 Brocade Lounging Robes, sold for \$15.00. Now \$12.85
2 Moire Robes, plain colors, with contrasting satin collar; sold for \$15.00. Now \$12.85
3 Heavy Brocade Robes; sold for \$19.50. Now \$14.85
2 Robes, of fine heavy weight brocade; sold for \$22.50. Now \$17.95
1 Robe of heavy brocade with quilted satin lining, slippers to match; sold for \$29.50. Now \$22.50

REBELS AT KABUL REPULSED, IS BELIEF

Fighting Reported Continuing
in Vicinity of the Capital
of Afghanistan.

LOYAL TROOPS VICTORS

Pesawar, India, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Fighting was going on today in the vicinity of Kabul, capital of Afghanistan. It is believed that the rebels were repulsed. Communications were restored this afternoon between this city and the British Legation just outside Kabul, which apparently had been within the sphere of military operations during the last few days.

All is quiet in Dacca City, but Jalalabad still is closely besieged. The disorders in the vicinity of the capital have prevented the relief of Jalalabad.

The Sikhs at Lalpur brought their sacred book, the Granth Sahib, here today for safe keeping.

New Delhi, India, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—The Afghan government has agreed that the British air force shall remove all British and Indian women and children from the legation at Kabul tomorrow.

London, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—The Afghan Legation here announced this afternoon that the bulk of the army had been driven from the heights near Kabul and that all roads leading to King Amanullah's capital had been cleared. The statement said that the loyal troops had pursued the rebels into the mountains near Kabul.

The general position of the government forces has become very strong and the whole situation, especially in Kabul and the eastern provinces, has been greatly improved. Airplane service was resumed yesterday when a machine left Kabul for Tashkent.

California Man Denies Coolidge Appointment

Sacramento, Calif., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—William John Cooper, retiring State Superintendent of Public Instruction, today denied that he had been appointed yesterday to the effect that he had announced his appointment as United States Commissioner of Education.

Cooper said that he paid an official visit to Lawrence E. Chenowith, Bakerfield, Calif., and City Manager, and the supposed source of yesterday's dispatch, but that he gave Chenowith no information concerning the appointment. Recommended to President Coolidge by Senators Hiram W. Johnson and Frank Shortridge of California for the federal post he had been under consideration for two months, Cooper said, but he repeated that he had received no word of confirmation.

Fine Apples to Grace Coolidge's Yule Table

Special to The Washington Post.
Martinsburg, W. Va., Dec. 22.—The first specimens of West Virginia apples were sent from the state to the White House, to adorn the table of the President and Mrs. Coolidge on Christmas Day. The apples were presented by Representative Frank L. Johnson of the district, and were grown in an orchard once owned by a predecessor of Mr. Bowman, George M. Bowers.

Representative Bowman also sent packages of select varieties of apples.

Every member of President's private secretary, Speaker Nicholas Longworth, and Representative Tilson, of Connecticut.

Petersburg Baby First To Die of Flu in Month

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Petersburg, Va., Dec. 22.—One death from influenza, that of an infant, was reported here today from this cause in the last month. Dr. R. A. Martin, city physician, said influenza in epidemic form evidently was prevalent in Petersburg, but that the outbreak was of a mild type.

Only two deaths from pneumonia have been registered here in the last month. Developments thus far should not cause the least alarm, Dr. Martin stated.

Virginia to Distribute Mexican Partridges

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Richmond, Va., Dec. 22.—Ten thousand Mexican partridges have been purchased by the State of Virginia and are being offered to owners of private hunting reserves at the same price the government paid for the birds.

Distribution, which is in the hands of the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, will be prorated on a basis of 100 to each county and consigned in lots of not less than 25.

ROMAN BEAUTY



Associated Press Photo.
GIOVANNI SEILING.
Who for the third time in as many years has been voted 'the most beautiful woman in Rome.'

HOPES GROWING DIM FOR PAIR IN CANYON

Search for the Hydes, Who
Dared River in Scow, Is
Pressed Vigorously.

SHORE TO BE EXPLORED

Grand Canyon, Ariz., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Fear that the treacherous rapids of the Colorado River had claimed the lives of Glenn Hyde, of Hansen, Idaho, and his bride, grew today as searchers continued their hunt for the adventurous pair who set out on a miasma ago in an attempt to navigate the Grand Canyon in a home-made scow.

A searching party working through the lower regions of the canyon sent word here that no trace of footprints had been found in the deep snow about the rim of the great gorge. It had been hoped that the snow might tell the tale of the disappearance of the Hydes after Army aviators had sighted their scow, slightly damaged and with its provisions intact, on a jagged rock in this region.

If the couple escaped death in the swirling waters it is thought they may have been able to climb on the rim of the canyon and set out through the almost uninhabited desert for aid. The other party is believed to be found stranded and alive somewhere in the depths of the canyon. The Hydes were last seen at Bright Angel Trail November 18, when they cast off to dare the remaining stretch of the river down to Needles, Calif.

A boat party headed by C. C. Francy from Peach Springs was expected to reach Havasu Creek tomorrow, where Supai Indian runners have been sent to meet it. From there the party will attempt to reach the Hyde scow 13 miles below Diamond Creek.

Another party, headed by Emory Kolb, who with his brother made the first navigation of the Colorado, is en route to Diamond Creek, where a boat will be constructed and an effort will be made to float down to the river where searchers are still looking for the Hydes.

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Richmond, Va., Dec. 22.—Ten thousand Mexican partridges have been purchased by the State of Virginia and are being offered to owners of private hunting reserves at the same price the government paid for the birds.

Distribution, which is in the hands of the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, will be prorated on a basis of 100 to each county and consigned in lots of not less than 25.

Christmas Pardon Policy Eliminated

Justice Department May Act on Parole Application of T. W. Miller.

(Associated Press.)
Convicts in Federal prisons who hoped Santa Claus would bring them pardons are going to be disappointed this year, for the Department of Justice yesterday announced that the practice of recommending Christmas pardons had been abolished.

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HOME AND KIN FAIL TO DISPEL AMNESIA

Georgia Man Does Not Recall Familiar Surroundings on Visit for Christmas.

WAS LOCATED IN TEXAS

Macon, Ga., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Tom Scott Goolsby, 22 years old, awoke this morning in a bed in the room in which he had slept for years, at his home where he resided during his youth, and surrounded by his parents and relatives, but he did not remember the familiar surroundings nor the faces of his nearest kin because he is still suffering from amnesia, which has afflicted him nearly two years.

Goolsby dropped in from July 29, 1926, to his parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Goolsby of Forsyth, Ga., near Macon, spent a large sum in a nationwide search, which ended recently when their son was found and identified in Tyler, Tex., where he held a responsible position with a large firm and went by the name of J. C. Morrison.

When greeted by his parents and confronted by undisputed evidence of his identity, young Goolsby said he did not remember the faces of his father and mother, and could recall no events of his life prior to his disappearance shortly after the date of his disappearance on the water front at New Orleans. Goolsby said he was suffering from a wound of the head when he became comatose.

A stranger befriended him in New Orleans, Goolsby declared, and suggested that he adopt the name of J. C. Morrison. The original Morrison, the stranger had informed him, was the son of a physician of Miami, Fla., and had been.

Goolsby went to Texas later and resided in Tyler until his parents appeared. Dr. and Mrs. Goolsby accompanied their son to their home to spend the Christmas holidays, believing this would cause a restoration of memory, but the familiar surroundings had no effect on him.

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Nets Georgia Fugitive

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 22 (A.P.)—To a funeral notice listing his name as a survivor John F. Walsh can attribute the law. Walsh had appeared in an employment office here in 1922, requiring applicants for positions to deposit \$100 to \$200. He left after a short time and was indicted for taking the money with him.

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Sunday School Tree,
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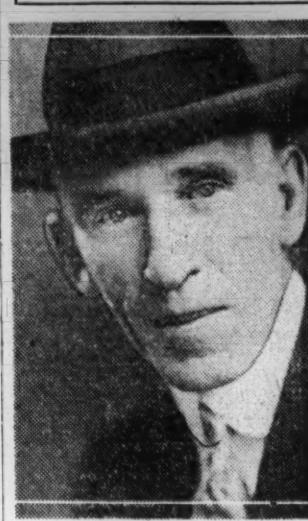
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One of the ship's lifeboats containing a body was found yesterday at Ship Gove, Placentia Bay.

ACTOR IN PLAY



ARTHUR B. WHITE.
Widely known Washington actor who will enact the role of Marcell in "A New Way to Pay Old Debts," which will be staged tomorrow night at the Chevy Chase School.

\$1,000,000 Gift Offer To College Withdrawn

Minneapolis, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Because at no time in the last four years has the University of Minnesota indicated whether it would accept a proposed \$1,000,000 gift from the Rockefeller Foundation, the donor organization has withdrawn the offer. The gift was offered to the state university in 1924 to establish a medical center here, combining the work of both the University Hospital and the Minneapolis General Hospital.

Decision of the Rockefeller Foundation was contained in a letter today from President Lotus B. Coffman, of the university, to the local Board of Public Welfare. The letter quoted Dr. George E. Vincent, president of the foundation, former president of the University of Minnesota, as saying that failure to accept the offer had resulted in its withdrawal.

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Fine blue-white, perfect solitaire diamond engagement ring; fine cut and brilliancy, beautiful platinum mounting, set with 6 diamonds. Must sacrifice.

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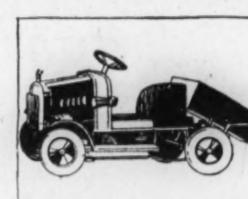
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Fast and snappy looking with roller bearing disc wheels and sturdy foot brake.



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AT THE CHESS TABLE

By WILLARD H. MUTHLER.
The text of a letter written by World Champion Alekhine to former champion J. R. Capablanca appeared in full in the December 16 issue of the Herald-Tribune and throws further light on the present status of championship chess.

"Having accepted, in principle, the challenge of E. D. Bogoljubow, under date of August 29 last, for a match to take place in 1929, I regret that I can now not consider the proposition of another challenge for championship. I shall from now on keep your letter in mind and at the same time write to Mr. Bogoljubow giving him until January 15, 1929, so that he may arrange for and give me the guarantees provided for under the rules of London, 1922.

"In case these guarantees should not be forthcoming, I would hold myself ready, after the above mentioned date (January 15, 1929), to accept your challenge on the basis of the regulations of London, 1922. In order to avoid a misunderstanding of any kind, I may add that a match between us should not take place before the second half of 1929. In case my match with Mr. Bogoljubow should not be arranged for, I would be forced enough to retain my title (to the championship). I would then be ready to accept your challenge, after the end of that encounter."

At the present time Alekhine-Bogoljubow negotiations were reported as doubtful. Bogoljubow, it appears, has been depending largely upon the expected financial backing of those in charge of the recent Bad Kissingen tournament. The managers of this tournament have now definitely decided to make an appropriate arrangement to make it a proper chess match tournament in the coming year. Bogoljubow must needs therefore seek further, and quickly. Somewhere, he must raise a sum of \$10,000.

In the meantime, Capablanca proceeds calmly and about to accept an invitation to participate in an international masters tournament at Barmouth, England, during Easter. One of Capablanca's games from the recent Bad Kissingen tournament is appended.

ROUND 3—QUEEN'S GAMBIT. Rubinstein. White. Black.

1 P—Q4 P—Q4
2 P—K4 P—K4
3 P—R4 P—Q4
4 Kt—KB3 P—P4
5 Q—Q4 P—Q4
6 Kt—Q4 P—Q4
7 BxP P—Q4
8 Kt—QB3 P—K3
9 Castles Kt—B3
10 Kt—B3 P—B4
11 B—K2 Kt—B3
12 QR—B3 B—K2
13 R—Q3 Kt—B3
14 B—K1 P—B4
15 P—B3 Castles
16 K—Q2 K—Q2
17 Kt—K4 B—Q2
18 Kt—K6 B—Q2
19 RxB ch BxP
20 Kt—Q4 P—Q4
21 B—Q4 P—K4
22 P—Q3 K—B
23 Kt—B2 P—P4
24 R—Q3 B—B4 ch
25 BxP Kt—B3
26 P—QK4 Kt—B5
27 Kt—K4 B—K2
28 K—Q2 K—Q3
29 Kt—K3 P—B4
30 K—Q2 P—B4
31 B—Q4 Drawn

Norman T. Whitaker informs us that some grave misstatements have appeared in the English magazine, the Chess Amateur, concerning the late Washington versus London cable match. The trend of these statements are given in a letter which Mr. Whitaker has written to H. W. Wiley, H. A. H. Carson, Washington representative at London, and which is here given in its entirety.

"I have looked for an acknowledgement of letter of November 11th re present in the cable match. Please give me the status, will you?"

"I now write you on another matter and copy of this letter is going to Mr. Whitaker with another copy to that usually accurate magazine, 'The Chess Amateur.'

"On its first page of December 1928, issue it says: 'The match between Washington and the London Chess Amateur' was 'a draw' and 'a draw' was 'decided by a draw' and 'decided accordingly.' They offered, if a win had been conceded at once, to put the cup (London's property after three victories) back into competition. Washington's reply at the time of writing was not to 'ind.'

"The article is quite incorrect in several particulars and implies a slur on our sportsmanship.

"Had the Londoners should gladly have concurred in with congratulations. To hold the mix-up caused by Goldstein taking back a move (so the record early shows), we proposed that the match be drawn. It hurts chess to guess over such a matter. The fault is not with the Londoners, but it should not be harbored therewith. I have many friends in your great country and, as captain of the team, do not wish to be placed in the light implied by 'The Amateur.'

Whitaker also desires to have the press public informed regarding his present attitude toward the National Chess Federation, in which organization he last year held the title of American tournament champion. It will be recalled that it was he and from participation in the championship tournament at Bradley Beach on the ground that no former title-holder is permitted to take part in further tournaments. In a letter to H. E. Heick, president of the federation, Whitaker writes: "My dues as unaffiliated member No. 38, N. C. F., expire on December 31. I enclose \$1 as my 1929 dues. Please send."

"As a very active American player for a score of years, wherein I participated in international tournaments, as president of the Western Chess Association, &c., &c., it is with regret that chess in this country is being so mismanaged. Instead of withdrawing from the organization, Dr. Lederer and others have done, I feel I can help the game itself by continuing my membership another year."

"Many do not know, who should have been told in the official organ of the federation, why I was prevented from playing at Bradley Beach. Dozens of inquiries have come to me about my non-participation in them. The attitude of some who follow the news may perhaps be expressed by the unsolicited letter sent me from a chess editor. * * *

The letter then follows in full. Unless the said chess editor is courageous enough to publish his views in his own column, we feel that they are not entitled to space here. I repeat it is to say that he apparently regards the past tournament at Bradley Beach as an utter failure, due partially, at least, to Whitaker's nonparticipation, and, I add, to the vindictive manner one of America's foremost chess editors, who, I think, is in part responsible for present conditions.

Solutions to Problem.

The key to No. 293, two-mover by Mr. Muthler, is K—E2. Among those solving in solutions were: Bob Green, Clair J. Bressler, J. W. Harris, H. W. Wiley, Jr., Forrest V. Wheeler, J. W. Harris, P. L. Reed, F. E. Walker, and Paul Davis.

James F. French writes: "Although white has choice of 42 moves the fact that black, if not prevented by a check or K move, can by P-R7 disastrously check simplifies the process of finding the following middle term for 293: A mate in one. White can soonest mate by one of the following four series, relevant to black's move 1 K—E2: 2 Q—KR or -QKt or Kt—B3 (or the latter's near equivalent Q—B); for none of white's first possible checks can result in mate in two, and the K's next move is to E8, which can mate in B3 and K3 for certain contingencies. Black P at R6 prevents Q—K2 being also a key move."

Clair J. Bressler comments: "The fact that black threatens a check by playing RP to all the light squares on the board's file are doubly guarded by white except B3, suggest the keymove at once."

H. W. Wiley, Jr. remarks: "Another soft one. In the first place the key is not one. In the second place the two mates, QxP and Kt—B3, are after a short inspection, is the obvious move to avoid the threatened check. Then there seem to be several unnecessary black pieces particularly Kt at R2, P4 at Q3 and Kt at QKt2."

Forrest V. Wheeler comments: "The salient feature of this problem is that white king is threatened by black pawn. Therefore, if white king is moved out of danger, and to the support of the black pawn, white queen is still in the entrapment in another move."

Today's offering is a three-move composition by Harvey W. Wiley, Jr. A few of young Wiley's problems have previously appeared in this column and have almost invariably been received with favor. Solvers are invited to send in their comments, criticisms, or suggestions.

PROBLEM NO. 294

By H. W. Wiley, Jr., Washington, D. C.

Composed for the Post.

BLACK—FIVE PIECES.

K on K5; Ps on KB4, KE, Q5 and QB5.

WHITE—EIGHT PIECES.

K on KB5; Q on QR6; B on KB4; P on Q5; Ps on KR4, Kt2, QKt5 and QR5.

White to play and mate in three moves.

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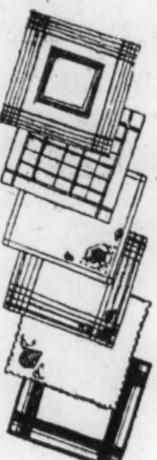
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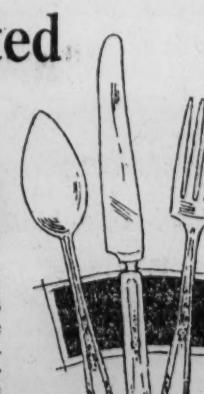
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—They look like hand-painted boudoir lamps until the top comes off. Inside are six small glasses.

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Vital Statistics

BIRTHS REPORTED.

Henry and Gladys O'Connors, girl. Harry and Esther Duvall, girl. Robert F. and Salie A. Drey, girl. Maurice and Anna E. Drey, girl. Victor P. and Sophronia Grable, girl. Robert E. and Mabel H. Grable, girl. George and Mary M. H. Grable, girl. Benjamin R. and Rosamond R. Rizzo, girl. Daniel and Anna R. Rizzo, girl. Oswald and Roberta E. Williams, girl. John W. and Marian Berrier, girl. Craver and Marion Williams, girl. Norton and Loraine Blodde, boy. Frank and Alice Clegg, girl. Worthington and Julia Remson, boy. Alfred E. and Elizabeth Sandoz, boy. Paul and Anna Schaeffer, girl. Herbert M. and Mary Gordon, boy. John J. and Grace Long, boy. Fred and Ida Childs, boy. Harold E. and Wilhelmina Belts, boy. Thomas H. and Anna K. Belts, boy. Ernest T. and Caroline E. Brooks, boy. Hubert and Anna K. Brooks, boy. Charles and Ruth Dixon, girl. Andrew and Kate Chase, girl. William and Anna Clegg, girl. Woods and Beale Settles, girl. George and Anna E. Drey, girl. James and Mary Henderson, girl. Bernard and Eva Powell, girl. Fred and Anna O. Rizzo, girl. James and Lavenia Warner, girl. John and Constance Valentine, boy. William H. and Anna K. Valentine, girl. Leon F. and Elizabeth Chisley, boy. Arthur and Anna E. Drey, girl. John and Mary Marr, boy. James and Irene Slaten, boy. Alice and John W. Williams, boy. Robert and Dora Williams, boy. Richard and Anna Williams, boy. Richard and Annie Coleman, boy. William and Max Mavertin, boy. Fred and Anna O. Rizzo, girl. James E. and Anna Dyon, boy.

DEATHS REPORTED.

James E. Folk, 72 yrs., 7609 G St. ave. nw. Mrs. Folk, 70 yrs., 7609 G St. ave. nw. William W. Trull, 64 yrs., 430 Randolph St. W. Mrs. A. Irsay, 61 yrs., 822 Newton nw. Crawford Benne, 56 yrs., 5735 9th nw. Mrs. Benne, 56 yrs., 5735 9th nw. Bert Strode, 48 yrs., 313 Park ave. nw. Boyd Carron, 37 yrs., Geo. Univ. Hospt. Mrs. Carron, 37 yrs., Geo. Univ. Hospt. Leslie Linabur, 32 yrs., Geo. Univ. Hospt. A. Conway Burrows, 20 yrs., Geo. Univ. Hospt. James Nelson, 78 yrs., Freedmen's Hospt. Elizabeth Clegg, 70 yrs., 1124 Congress St. Eddie King, 60 yrs., 2220 13th st. nw. Annie Thompson, 60 yrs., Freedmen's Hospt. Laura Tyson, 40 yrs., Gallingen Hospt. Mrs. Tyson, 40 yrs., 131 Rock Creek Church St. Smith, 6 months, Children's Hospt. John Watkins, 2 months, 1124 Congress St. ne.

U. S. PRISONER FLEES COUNTY JAIL. Princess Anne, Md., Dec. 22 (Special). John Almes, one of 30 Federal prisoners sent here by Baltimore City authorities to be housed until their terms expired, is being trailed by local police following his escape from Somerset County Jail here. He was to have served six months' sentence for violation of the prohibition laws. Because the Baltimore jail was crowded the prisoners were sent here.

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2 Octogenarians Play Part of Santa Claus in Capital



Children Are Entranced as They See Kris Kringle of Their Dreams.

Beneath the gaudy trappings of the department store Santa, Claus, who is the man in a thousand children's hearts, conducted each day his characteristic and vaccinations of circumstance brought to him the role of the mythical saint, presiding over toylord to the delight of the hearts of Washington youngsters.

Other personalities were emerging in the property

and heavy fur-bordered hoods, at least two of the professional Santas were found to be most unusual men, with histories rivaling those of characters in fiction.

At Woodward & Lothrop's, Carl Herman Braatz, 82 years old, provides the thrills for the youngsters with the same enthusiasm that for 28 years past has won him a place in the hearts of the "down-towners" of the Central Union Mission. Spry of limb and keen of eye, Braatz is declared by all who see him to be the perfect type for his unusual vocation.

"Brother Claus," as he is called at the mission, has played Santa Claus to some one all his life. Although possessed of no large sums of money, Braatz has contributed several thou-

sands dollars to the work of restoring his home to the paths of righteousness, his friends say.

Another 82-year-old St. Nicholas is Henry Miller, who, clad in the quaint garments of the old man in the frozen North, presides over the Recht Cinema.

Miller, 82, Civilian veteran and one-time actor, later a manufacturer, was obliged by financial reverses to assume a clerkship in a department store in 1915, when a fire destroyed the factory with which he was connected.

He is regularly employed at the store at the present time because of his stage experience.

Braatz later became a servant in the employ of George Bancroft, who formerly was an American Minister to the Court of St. James. So faithfully did Braatz attend to his employer's needs that he was willed an income of \$365 a year for life.

JOYOUS SPIRIT OF CHRISTMAS SWEEPS CAPITAL FOR HOLIDAY

CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1.

mediate vicinity are looking forward to a special treat on Christmas morning at 11:30 o'clock when an assistant to Santa Claus will arrive in an airplane and drop down onto the landing field in a parachute. This stunt has been arranged by the Red Cross Chapter of the Naval Air Station and is expected to attract both old and young of the neighborhood.

Girls of the Young Women's Christian Association have planned a day of Christmas cheer for others. This evening from 5 until 7 o'clock there will be a German Christmas observance, at which German carols will be sung.

Girl Reserves have a ceremonial wreath service at 10:30 a.m. Saturday to Christmas carolers. The service will be held at the Y. W. C. A. Building will be displayed around a Christmas tree. Later these gifts will go to boys and girls in Galtier Hospital, Princess Hospital, Fitzhopper House, St. John's Orphanage, Neighborhood House, Noel House, Associated Charities and the District Training School.

Reserves Will Give Play.

Carol singing will feature the ceremonial while a Christmas play called "The Christmas Spirit" will be presented by the Reserves under the direction of Miss Shelia Doody. A group of the Reserves will be at the Y. W. C. A. Building with the lighting of the national Christmas tree Monday night, while each noon during the coming week carol singing will be brought to various community centers.

Wesley Heights, which last year was voted the best-decorated community, will have another tree at Cathedral avenue and Forty-fourth street. Santa Claus will visit the children on Christmas day, and arrangement have been made for the service.

The Christmas celebration in Georgetown will be held in Montrose Park, Thirty-second and R streets, at 7:30 tomorrow evening. A community tree, planted by the Georgetown Garden Club will be the central attraction.

Jackson School pupils have decorated the tree with weatherproof ornaments.

Five hundred Georgetown children will sing a program of Christmas music.

The committee in charge consists of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Clegg, Mr. and Mrs. Miss Radford, Mr. Lloyd P. Shipp, Mrs. H. B. Torbert, Rev. F. B. Tucker and J. B. Wyckoff.

Foxhall Village Program.

A tree at Wisconsin avenue and Bradley lane, the community and Section 8, Chevy Chase, or Leeland, will be lighted at the same time President Coolidge lights the National Tree.

Foxhall Village will light not only a

small community tree but an additional 200 evergreen trees which are a part of the landscape along G Street and Parkway.

Stockings filled with candy and gifts for the children will be placed on the center tree. Large inverted bells will be placed around the tree to receive gifts for the poor from residents of the community. These will be distributed to the members of the Salvation Army, Gospel Mission and Central Union Mission.

Residents of Chevy Chase, both in

the District and in Maryland will

gather around a tree in Chevy Chase Circle Christmas Eve at 5:30 o'clock.

Pastors of two churches in the section will charge to the celebration.

Prizes to Be Awarded.

Baskets of food for 75 needy families

will be furnished by the City Fire

Fighters Association which voted to

use all the funds in its treasury for

this purpose.

Individuals and communities which

have been decorated in colors of the

Christmas season for some time

will be helped by the fund raised each

year by the Association of Charitable

Christians will be made of glad-

ness for the members of these families.

Stores, theaters and offices have

been decorated in colors of the

Christmas season for some time

while entertainers have dressed

with an eye to the spirit of Christmas.

At the Fox Theater tomorrow morn-

ing, 3,600 children will be made happy

when The Washington Post Santa

Claus will have his guests at

Christmas Eve, some 1,400 children at

Keith's Theater. Gifts will be distrib-

uted to them by Mrs. Coolidge.

Party at Police Station.

In the southeast section of the city,

children are looking forward to an

annual party at Police Station No. 5.

Capt. William E. Sanford will be in

charge and nearly a thousand boys and

girls are expected to receive gifts from

the police force.

Employees of the Acacia Mutual Life

Association will hold their regular

Christmas party in the hall of the

Acacia Building. A huge tree will be

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Mail or bring this coupon to The Washington Post or the Electric League of Washington, Suite 900, 1103 Vermont Avenue.

The Weather

TODAY'S SUN AND TIDE TABLE

Sun rises..... 7:24 | High tide..... 10:30

Sun sets..... 4:30 | Low tide..... 10:33 11:47

WEATHER CONDITIONS.

U. S. Dept. of Agriculture Weather Bureau.

Washington, D. C. to Long Island, N. Y.

Forecast—For the District of Columbia, Maryland, Virginia, and northern Virginia, somewhat warm and humid, variable winds.

For Maryland and Virginia, partly cloudy, winds variable, temperatures cool.

Monday, fair and warmer; fresh winds.

Tuesday, light snow falling over northern Minnesota. Moon-head, 29.88 inches, and in the Pacific Northwest, 29.14 inches.

Wednesday, 29.88 inches, and in the New England States, Boston, 30.48 inches, and it continues to fall over the lake region of Idaho, 30.82 inches. There have been light snows on the lake region, and light rains in the south, the Atlantic and north Pacific Coasts. The temperature is cool in the upper Mississippi and middle Missouri Valley, portions of the southern plains and the Great Lakes.

The indications are for mostly fair weather for the rest of the week, with rain on Saturday and Sunday, except that there will be rain in the southeast. New England coast and the Great Lakes Sunday.

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Group to National Body's
Offices Significant.COMMITTEE OF HOUSE
SUSPICIOUS AND ALOOFCalling of Rally on Lincoln's
Birthday Seen as Phase of
Fight for Power.

By RALPH FREUND.

The clerk committed the robbery. He was on the fifth floor for a sufficient length of time after being in the poker party to have committed the robbery. He ransacked the drawers to make it.

"The Dix-Wilson Mystery" is the title of the seventh of The Washington Post series of "Riddles in Crime." It is presented in the usual form with events leading up to the climax described today while the author's solution of the mystery will appear next Sunday. Meanwhile readers may form their own conclusions and submit their opinions to The Washington Post for publication.

The Facts in the Case.

Marian Dix, a maid serving Mrs. Nina Wilson, was accused of the murder of her mistress. Mrs. Wilson was a young divorcee, of some wealth. She lived alone in an expensive apartment with Marian and a cook, the only other members of the establishment.

Mrs. Wilson was found lying in her bed with three vital shots thru her forehead and temple. The police had been called by the maid over the telephone and she herself was shot through the right side, the bullet grazing the bone. The cook was out that night and could throw little light on the affair.

The investigation uncovered the fact that Ralph Orr, a wealthy sportsman, had been friendly with both mistress and maid, being a good sport and the maid possessing intelligence and good breeding. It was assumed that a quarrel had occurred between the right of this—accident, she called me into her bedroom and began to question me closely.

"Of course, I couldn't admit them, and she seemed greatly enraged and jealous. She snatched out a revolver from under the pillow on her bed and shot at me. I suppose she intended him to be my heart. When I heard the shot, I ran over to the telephone and called the police."

To this story Marian stuck despite all questioning. Mrs. Wilson's neighbors could not help much. There was only one apartment on the floor and the maid lived on the top. The elevator runners were downstairs at the time and did not hear the shots.

Nor could Ralph Orr add to the facts he could only admit his connection with the two women.

RIDDLES IN CRIME
"The Dix-Wilson Mystery"
By JOSEPH KAYE

A boy, 13 years old, sends in a correct solution of last Sunday's "Riddle in Crime"—The Hotel Room Robbery.

Mystery action fans are having a great time with The Washington Post's series of crime tales and some solutions have been received. One other correct solution has been received from a reader while a third guessed wrong on how the author would complete last week's mystery. Readers are urged to send in their solutions to the weekly "Riddle in Crime" and copy their deductions with those of the author.

RIDDLES IN CRIME

"The Dix-Wilson Mystery"

By JOSEPH KAYE

By HAROLD MOORMAN
(13 Years Old).

In your latest mystery story, "The Hotel Room Robbery," Brainy Falk was guilty.

The clerk had been told that the rings were the only valuable Miss Miller owned or at least she had with her. When Falk had the job he would have taken the risk of being caught by remaining in the room longer than necessary. On the other hand, Falk knowing little or nothing about Miss Miller, on seeing the two rings probably believed her to be quite wealthy and went in search of other values.

By GEORGE PALMERTON.

The solution is my version of the hotel room robbery:

Brainy Falk was the thief. If the clerk had been given the job he would not have bothered the dresser drawers. For his visit would have been for the rings, which he knew where they were.

By THE AUTHOR.

Falk was guilty of the theft. This was proven by the following

C. T. WANG, CHINA'S
FIGHTING DIPLOMAT,
THRIVES UPON WORKMinister of Foreign Affairs
Faces Task of Altering
Nation's Treaties.TOILS DAY AND NIGHT,
PLANNING FOR FUTUREStatesman is a Veritable
Commuter Between Nan-
king and Shanghai.

Shanghai, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—C. T. Wang, China's minister for foreign affairs, faced with seemingly ever-increasing responsibilities and more difficult tasks, seems to thrive on the strain of it all.

As China's Government, now called National and not Nationalist, because it is intended to represent all China and not a fraction, increases its stability, C. T. Wang's responsibilities become greater in direct proportion. China's international relations loom large in the eyes of the Nanking regime and it is to C. T. Wang, often called the "Chief Diplomat," that it looks for their success.

"China is at this moment without doubt united on the question of our international relations, although critics may question her unit in other respects," Wang said, describing the present state of affairs as this rapidly changing country. "Revision of our treaties with foreign nations, including every consideration mentioned in these facts, is a subject receiving the major attention of my government and it is my responsibility to further that program."

Christian and Revolutionary.

Dr. Wang, although only 46 years old, is experienced in the diplomacy of his country. Educated in China, Japan and the United States, he acquired a dozen degrees and made Phi Beta Kappa, he returned to China to become a Y. M. C. A. secretary, a student Christian, and an early advocate of the Chinese revolution.

Wang has been a member of the Kuomintang or Nationalist party since its beginning. He was named to China's first parliament, later became minister for foreign affairs in the new government and acting president of the Chinese delegation to the Paris Peace Conference, negotiated for China, the agreement whereby Japan was given Shantung province after the Paris Conference, was China's chief delegate at the International Tariff Commission in 1921 and 1922 and conducted negotiations with Soviet Russia and signed a preliminary treaty.

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MARYLAND BASKET BALL TEAM BOWS TO PENN, 30-18

Nats to Report At Tampa in 3 Groups

Johnson Gives Battery Squad First Drill February 25.

Special Plans for Ruel and Judge; Latter May Be Rested.

By FRANK H. YOUNG.

With the opening of the regular baseball season, the Nats will report later than usual at their Tampa training camp next spring, the first consignment of players being due to be ready for work at Plant Field on Monday, February 25, according to plans outlined by Manager Walter Johnson yesterday.

Johnson and President Clark Griffith have spent considerable time working out a reporting schedule and spring plans. Several men have divided the forces into four groups, with the reporting dates as follows:

The group reaching the Smoker City Sunday, February 24, will be made up of Catchers Muddy Ruel, Clifton Bolton and Albert Brolf and the four rock pitchers: Llyon Brown, Bob Burke, Billie Clegg, Guy Clegg, Paul Hopkins, Al Liska, Paul McCullough and Jim Weaver.

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Although out for just a short time, Hagen's crack marksmanship accounted for seven goats. As a result, the hundred-odd golfers on the island had a goat barbecue tonight.

Chicago Sponsors Loughran As Heavyweight Contender

Promoters Sign Light-Heavy Champion to Blanket Contract.

Will Fight Outstanding Claimants to Title; Beat Strirling.

By DIXON H. YOUNG
(United Press Staff Correspondent).

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Loughran signed a contract tonight with Paddy Harmon, president of the Chicago Boxing Corporation, calling for him to meet the best heavyweight obtainable on or before March 31. The fight is to take place in the new stadium, which will have a seating capacity of 25,000 for fights, 8,000 more than the Madison Square Garden in New York.

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I have never been able to obtain a satisfactory explanation of this falling of the pitchers. Mr. Jack Heydler, of the major league baseballs will decide the pitchers at bat have been received as though it represented a new principle in the baseball business, whereas the principle is quite mature and familiar to all persons who are at all familiar with the industry. Mr. Heydler has merely extended the principle of ghost-writing, one of the most important subsidiary activities of baseball,

HIGH TIME, POOR RACER, IS GREAT SIRE

Record Price Justified by His Get

Leads Stallions Again in Producing Best 2-Year-Olds.

Sarazen's Noted Sire Won Only One Race in Track Career.

Another romance was added to the turf history last week with the sale of High Time, famed sire of the greatest line of 2-year-olds in modern years, to C. T. Fisher, General Motors magnate, at a price announced as \$1,000,000.

High Time, now the world's most famous thoroughbred, was disposed of by Phil Chinn, his chief owner, for a price that is a new record in thoroughbred history and his fame is emphasized in that the record is the first to most & fail as a race. He ran one winning race, the Hudson Stakes at Aqueduct in 1918, to set a new record of 0.88-2.5, but at no other time has he been able to get under the wire first.

Since retirement to the stud, however, High Time this season leads the stallions of America in point of money earned. In his year he got for the second year in succession. Previously he was noted as the sire of Sarazen, Mrs. Vanderbilt's crack gelding. Buyers of yearlings crave a quick return on their investment and this is the reason the offerings of High Time are in such demand at sales of thoroughbreds in recent years.

High Time, son of 31 races for a total of \$80,339, has won 22-year-olds in winning races. This stallion has been almost trialed in 1928. Sixteen of his get have won 43 stakes for the amazing total of \$222,335, an amount never before approached by any sire and one which may never be equaled.

High Strung, owned jointly by Marshall Field and Robert L. Gerry, is responsible for the bulk of the huge earnings by a number of his six races, including the Belmont Stakes at Belmont Park and the Pimlico Futurity in Maryland, he contributed to the total. High Strung, on this showing, will undoubtedly be one of the sure-book favorites for the Kentucky Derby to be run on Saturday.

Double Heart, owned by W. T. Waggoner's Three D Stock Farm, of Texas, was the second biggest winner, with five races and \$27,520. Double Heart has failed to come up to Roush Eye, which finished second to High Strung in the Belmont Futurity.

Click, for which Eben M. Myers paid \$10,000 as a yearling, comes next with three victories and a total of \$11,275.

The record of High Time's 2-year-olds for 1928 is:

Horse	Races Won	Ans. Won	Post St.	Wt.	Post St.	Wt.	Str.	Fin.	Jockeys	Straight
High Strung	5	\$15,339	112	7	5	5	1/2	7	Moon	2.20
Double Heart	5	27,520	112	7	5	4	7	Ross	2.30	
Too High	4	3,536	112	7	5	4	7	Carroll	2.30	
On Her Toes	4	3,636	112	7	5	4	7	Lambert	2.30	
Topolino	4	3,636	112	7	5	4	7	McGinnis	2.30	
Grand Prince	4	3,636	112	7	5	4	7	McGinnis	2.30	
Jefferson	4	3,636	112	7	5	4	7	McGinnis	2.30	
High Time	16	81,339	112	7	5	4	7	McGinnis	2.30	
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CAROLS WILL FEATURE CHRISTMAS SERVICES IN CHURCHES

BAPTIST.

Calvary.

Today—10:30 a. m.—Organ prelude, "Prelude on Two Christmas Hymns" (Gulick); quartet, "Sing, O Sing" (The Mount Pleasant); organ solo, "Comfort Ye" (from "The Messiah") (Handel); chorus, "Christians" (Shelley); organ postlude, "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel).

7:45 a. m.—Organ recital (a) "Fanfare on Old Christmas Carols" (Faukner); (b) "Arioso Symphonique" (Handel); quartet, "To Us Is Born Emmanuel, Fratrorius" (chorus); "Behold I Bring You Good Tidings" (Huhn); Christmas carols will be played on the clavinet and harp at the close of the service. The quartet, Blanche Kerr, soprano; Cleo S. Parsons, contralto; William F. Raymond, tenor; Fred Eden, baritone; Thomas Moss, organist and choir director.

Nineteenth Street.

Surpliced choir under direction of Benjamin Washington will sing to hymn: "Carols, 'Joy to the World,'" "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear," "O Little Town of Bethlehem," "O Holy Night" (Adam); sexto-chorus, "Silent Night" (Barbny); "God So Loved the World" (Stainer); carols, "Silent Night" (Traditional); "Good Christian Men, Rejoice" (Fourteenth century melody); communion service (same Christmas Eve); hymn, "Sing, O Sing This Blessed Morn" (offertory); anthems, "Hark! The Shepherds Sing" (Barbny); recessional, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (Redner).

Sonata (Guittaut); choruses, "Holy Night" (Faukner); "Let Us Now Praise Our God" (Worward); "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing" (Handel); bass solo, "The Magi Kings" (Dubois).

The usual Christmas carol service, which the Mount Pleasant church will begin at 7:30 this evening and continue for a half hour, to be followed by a presentation of the Christmas play, "The Christmas Carol," by Charles Dickens. Miss Apple will sing "The Virgin's Lullaby" by Buck, during the carol service.

EPISCOPAL.

Washington Cathedral.

Christmas Day and first Sunday after Christmas.

11 a. m., holy communion and sermon. Processional hymn, 72, "O Come, All Ye Faithful" (Cantus Diversi); introit, carol, "Natal Domini" (W. G. Ross); communion service in E flat (A. E. F.); offertory service, 80 (Henry Smart); offertory anthem, "It Came Upon the Midnight Clear" (Sir John Stainer). (Words found in hymn 79.) At presentation, "The Doxology" (Old and New); communion hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem" (H. Redner); offertory benediction, "Nunc Dimittis" (H. Round); recessional hymn, 74, "Of the Father's Love Begetten," ancient plainsong.

Ascension.

Services appropriate to the Christmas season will be ushered in this church with the "candle light service," which will be held in the church. The lighting in the church is furnished entirely by candles and each member of the choir marches in singing the processional hymn and carrying a lighted candle in his or her hand.

Transfiguration.

The choir, under the direction of T. W. Norcross, chorister, will render the sacred cantata, "The Adoration," by George B. Nevin, today at 8 p. m. The solo parts will be taken by Mrs. Hugh Lotus Murrell, soprano; Mrs. Elizabeth Dickinson, contralto; Mrs. Elizabeth Clark and choir; anthems, "Christians" (Shelley); Mrs. Elizabeth Dickinson and choir; anthems, "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel), from "The Messiah"; carol, "O Come All Ye Faithful" (Reading); choir and congregation.

Chevy Chase.

The soloists are Miss Emily Harrold and Mrs. Bertha H. Gottsman, soprano; Mrs. Marguerite Groomes and Miss Nellie Moran, alto; James T. Nicholson, tenor; Robert E. Davison, baritone; William H. Wilson, bass; William H. Taylor, organist and director.

Metropolitan.

Morning Services today—Organ Prelude, Mrs. Gwendolyn McRae, anthem, "There Were Shepherds" (Birch); "There Shall Come a Star," Lansing; organ offertory; duet, "Christians" (Shelley); by Miss Bertha Morgan and Mrs. Gilbert A. Clark; and organ postlude.

Evening Service—Organ Prelude, Mrs. Gertrude S. Mockbee; anthem, "O Holy Night," (Adam); anthem, "And There Were Shepherds," Williams; duet, "The Infant Jesus," Youn by Miss Bertha Morgan and Nathan A. Clark; anthem, "To the Orient," (Shelley); and organ postlude.

Members of Choir—Sopranos, Miss Bertha Morgan, Mrs. Milton H. Prosperi, Miss Dorothy Gravatté, Mrs. Margaret Dunkley, Miss Margaret Jones, Mrs. Elizabeth M. Miller, Miss Gertrude Payne, Miss Dorothy Miller, Mrs. Nathan A. Clark and Mrs. Lois Embrey; Alto, Mrs. Gilbert A. Clark and Mrs. Daniel C. Shanks; Tenors, Dr. Sterling Bockoven and Dr. W. B. Hoofnagle; Basses, Gilbert A. Clark, R. E. Beale, Harry M. Williams, Nathan A. Clark and Grant W. Van Denmark; Organist, Mrs. Gertrude S. Mockbee; Director, Gilbert A. Clark.

CATHOLIC.

Sacred Heart.

At midnight mass Christmas Eve, the choir will sing Pergolesi's (Benedictus Domini); "proper of the mass" (Vandenhoeck); offertory motet, "Adeste Fideles" (Handel); the half-hour preceding midnight mass, the Communion after mass a program of instrumental music will be given, including "Silent Night" (Gruber); "Noel" (Gounod); "Gesu Bambino" (Yon); "Nazareth" (Gounod); and "Sleep, Holy Babe," (Gounod), "March of the Magi" (Dubois), "The Holy Night" (Buck).

The Christmas hymns will be repeated at the 11:30 mass on Christmas Day, which will be a low mass, followed by benediction.

The regular solo quartet is composed of Miss Mabel C. Latimer, soprano; Miss Hazel C. Art, contralto; Mr. Robert M. O'Leone, tenor; and Mr. Talbert Haslett, bass. Miss Mary-Louise Sullivan is organist and director.

St. Peter's.

The following music will be given at the midnight mass—Eve midnight mass by the mixed choir, organist and director, direction of Christopher Tenney, organist. Beginning at 11:30, the choir will give a program of traditional carols. The "Missa Salve Regina," by Stiehl, will be rendered with the proper of the mass, and after "Adeste Fideles" as the supplementary service, during the communion Youn's "Jesus Redemer," and "Ave Verum Corpus" by Gounod, will be sung. The solo quartet will be Nellie Ronai, soprano; Mary Apple, contralto; William F. Shanahan, tenor; and Herman Fakler, baritone.

St. Gabriel's.

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CONGREGATIONAL.

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The music will be "Christmas Eve, Solemn High Mass" by Dunbar. Soloists, soprano, Rosal G. Green and Angelina Cliffe, contralto, Nellie Constance, alto; G. V. Green, bass, D. Power Stanton, offertory; "Adeste Fideles" (Power); "Communion Service" (Power); "Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus" (Power); "Amen" (Power); "Hallelujah Chorus" (Handel); "The Birthday of the King" (Neidinger), "With Glory Lit the Mid-night Air Revealed" (Deleman), or- dinary of the mass (Baldwin), (Missa in honoris Domini); "Amen" (Power); by Toye, offertory; "Adeste Fideles" (Novello); recessional, "O Holy Night" (Adam); Frank J. Weber, conductor; Katherine M. Weber, organist.

Holy Rosary.

At solemn high mass at midnight Christmas Eve the program will be: "Prestissimo, Solemn High Mass" Soloists, Gilda Bonuccelli, Regina Lavezzi, Eugenia Slattery, Baldi Balducci, Offertory, "Adeste Fideles," (Regina); "The Birthday of the King" (Neidinger), "With Glory Lit the Mid-night Air Revealed" (Deleman), or- dinary of the mass (Baldwin), (Missa in honoris Domini); "Amen" (Power); by Toye, offertory; "Adeste Fideles" (Novello); recessional, "O Holy Night" (Adam); Frank J. Weber, conductor; Katherine M. Weber, organist.

St. Stephen's.

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BRAND NOMINATION WILL BE APPROVED BY SENATE, BELIEF

Protests on Confirmation,
Due to Merger Stand, Is
Held Not Serious.

QUESTION OF PUBLIC HEARINGS IS IN DOUBT

Decision to Be Reached After
Return From Christmas
Holiday Recess.

The nomination of Col. Harrison J. Brand, Jr., to serve another term as a member of the local Public Utilities Commission will be approved by the Senate, according to indications yesterday. The members of the Senate District committee have received protests against confirmation of Col. Brand. It is understood that none of these protests is regarded as "serious enough to disqualify him."

Whether there will be a hearing on Brand's nomination is not known, but after the Senate returns from its Christmas recess. Even if there is one, it is not likely that any testimony will be offered that will hurt Brand's chances.

Opposition Due to Merger.

Much of the opposition to Brand grows out of his action in joining the other members of the Public Utilities Commission in approving the agreement entered into by the local traction companies for a merger.

"This is the agreement upon which is based the joint merger resolution now pending in Congress, which recently was condemned by Dr. Milo R. Maltbie, the New York utilities expert.

As for the merger proceedings, Harry F. Wilson and the other members of the Senate have not yet completed their reply to the report of Dr. Maltbie.

Will Point Out Fallacies.

They were told to prepare a reply at a meeting of the merger subcommittee of the Senate District committee early last week.

It is expected that the traction men will complete their statement some day this week, but it probably will not be made public until it is turned over to the Senate District committee after January 3.

Willie, owner of the Washington Rapid Transit Co. and author of the present merger compact, already has announced that, so far as the reply to Maltbie's report is concerned, he and his colleagues will devote themselves to pointing out the "fallacies" in it.

Liquor Book Delay Stirs Medical Men

Doran Starts Investigation; Whisky Needed to Fight Flu Outbreak.

Dr. James M. Doran, prohibition commissioner, yesterday began an investigation of complaints from physicians in the District of Columbia that their applications for blanks to prescribe liquor to patients had not been honored.

The prohibition commissioner has not personally received the complaints, but it is understood that a number have been forwarded to the Baltimore head office.

The physicians were particularly aroused over the delay in receiving their books because of the prevalence of influenza in the city. In some cases, books were not sent promptly and caused the application to be filed in the stubs of the book previously issued to him. Physicians were able to renew their applications for books December 6.

Fall From Auto Truck Is Fatal to Workman

Walter Boits, colored, 48 years old, of 1013½ Half street northwest, died yesterday afternoon at Freedmen's Hospital from injuries received in the day, when he fell from the back of an automobile truck at Fifth and Q streets northwest.

Boits was working as a helper on the truck, which is owned by T. F. Keane Co., of 621 B street northwest, when the accident occurred. He was taken to the hospital in a passing automobile and was treated for a fracture skull by Dr. F. E. Speaks.

26 New Influenza Cases in District

Deaths Reported in Month Still 13; Health Head Says Type Is Mild.

Twenty-six new cases of influenza were reported to Dr. William C. Fowler, District Health Officer, yesterday, making a total of 219 cases for the month. At the same time, public health officials were considering ways and means to combat the rapidly spreading and more severe wave of the disease, which already, during the present epidemic, has been contracted by more than 150,000 victims, with several thousand deaths in this country.

No deaths, however, were reported during last week, and the total fatalities for the month stand at 13. Dr. Fowler feels that no alarm should be felt over the increasing number of cases reported, since in practically all cases there have been of a mild nature. Dr. Fowler referred to his warning, however, that the best way to combat the epidemic now sweeping the country is to keep away from all known cases and to build up the body by getting the proper amount of sleep, vitamins and diet.

Damages of \$10,000 Are Asked in Death

Damages of \$10,000 against the Washington Railway & Electric Co. were asked in a suit filed yesterday in the District Superior Court by Mrs. James H. Acton, who was struck and injured by a bus of the company a year ago.

Through her attorneys, Bramhall & McCabe, Mrs. Acton, as administrator of her husband's estate, charged the injury as the result of the mishap caused her husband's death.

AMBULANCE, AFTER SEVERING HORSE'S TAIL



\$45,000 IS SOUGHT BY COOLIDGE TO PAY INAUGURATION COST

Fund for Official Exercises
Will Bring Proposed Total
Up to \$145,000.

GENERAL COMMITTEE IS AGAIN INCREASED

James B. Reynolds Accepts
Post; Publicity Committee
to Meet Thursday.

Plans for the inauguration of Herbert Hoover were given additional impetus yesterday when President Coolidge transmitted to Congress a recommendation for an appropriation of \$45,000 to cover expenses of the formal exercises at the Capitol. This brought the total amount sought to \$145,000. The inaugural committee having previously agreed to raise \$100,000 to defray expenses of the civic ceremonies.

Coolidge's recommendation was transmitted to the House yesterday, and is appropriate, the committee said, because Congress has appropriated \$45,000 to the District of Columbia for the inauguration. The money, when appropriated, will be used for the erection of stands at the Capitol, hiring of extra police and other expenses. An additional \$100,000 will be disbursed by the joint committee from the House and Senate of which Senator Moses is chairman. The other \$100,000, which is to be raised by the committee's subcommittee on finance, is the responsibility of Robert Fleming, chairman, will be used to defray expenses of decorating the city, erecting reviewing stands and other activities.

Work Will Start Soon.

Members of the subcommittee on finance expect to go to work immediately following the house's action, soliciting this fund much of which, if not all, will be returned to guarantors.

James B. Reynolds, vice president of the Commercial National Bank, and former secretary of the Republican national committee, yesterday accepted the chairmanship of the subcommittee on invitations and tickets for the inaugural.

General Committee Increased.

Other developments included increase of the personnel of the inaugural committee, announcement that the subcommittee on publicity and press relations of which Theodore P. Roosevelt, chairman, will be increased to 10. The day at 4 o'clock at the Willard Hotel and announcement of the members of the subcommittee on legislation.

Members added to the general increased committee yesterday included the following: George W. White, E. G. Brandenburg, Charles W. Richardson, Ward E. Ellis, William A. Hill, Leon Tolbriner, A. P. Clark, Jr., Frederick D. McKinney, Rev. J. R. Sizoo, John L. Thompson, James M. Clegg, John B. Larimer, William H. Hoover, Dr. Cloyd H. Marvin, William J. Eyring, Albert Brewood, George H. Carter, Alvin W. Hall, Bryan S. Adams, John McQueen, W. F. Roberts, Paul Shuster, Charles W. Chidester, L. H. Rust, Charles D. Drayton, Miss Elizabeth Jackson, Miss Margaret Couzens, Mrs. Marshall Exilios and Miss Eleanor Snyder took charge of a busy program.

Bad riding marked each event and several narrow escapes from injury were recorded in the jumping events.

The opening class, winning a first place in the ensemble class, when the judges took note of the horse, rider, appointments and general appearance of each entry. Melvin Hazen, Charles Carrico and Roland Dawson also took several ribbons. Miss Elizabeth Jackson and her daughter, Miss Maud Preese, Among those observed in the gallery were Frank Hight, Brig. Gen. George Horton, Charles Drayton, Miss Katherine Sutherland, John Gandy, Frank Tyner, S. J. Henry, Fred West, H. L. Rust, Jr., and Gwynn Rust.

The results in the various classes follow:

Class 1—Open saddle: First, E. Nesbit's entry; second, Eugene Meyers' entry; third, Roland Dawson's entry.

Class 2—Saddle seat: First, Roland Dawson and Elizabeth Jackson; second, Ruth Matthews of Warrenton, and companion; third, Maud Preese and Tommy Cook.

Class 3—Ensemble class: First, Miss Mary E. S. Henry; second, Roland Dawson and Elizabeth Jackson; second, Ruth Matthews of Warrenton, and companion; third, Roland Dawson.

Class 4—Best hunter: (four jumps): First, Charles Carrico; second, Ray H. Norton; third, Melvin Hazen.

Class 5—Open jumpers: First, Miss M. Martin; second, H. Hines; third, Richard Adamson.

Man Lands in Cell
In Woman's Attire

Large Feet Raise Suspicion of Theater Manager on Mechanic's Sex.

Michael Joseph Roman proved himself the noblest Roman of them all yesterday, as did the police of the city. The man, a mechanic who held him for further investigation.

Preliminary police investigation has shown that he decided he needed a disguise. So Mr. Roman, a 41-year-old mechanic who lives at 62 Massachusetts avenue, northwest, was dressed unusually closely yesterday morning, dashed rouge on his cheeks, splashed his face with powder and put on a woman's dress in place of his working clothes.

It was in the Colony Theater, 4305 Georgia avenue, northwest, that the stylized-dressed mechanic first aroused suspicion. His gait might have passed muster except that his feet, which though encased in neat slippers, were a trifle too large to be called dainty.

The manager of the theater called the police, who whisked Mr. Roman—no female in fashion—into the precinct station.

It was there he was taken.

Failing to answer charges of intoxication and disorder, \$15 was declared forfeited in Police Court. Zirkle pleaded not guilty to a charge of possessing liquor and was freed on \$1000 bond on a charge of possession, but hearing of the charge was postponed in court yesterday when it was reported Fowler was ill. Miss Brown told the police she accompanied a man to the theater yesterday on H street, 20, and 27 points of liquor were found in an adjoining room, the police said.

It was the same time the Rev. Charles S. Martin will present stereoscopic views of Palestine. Arthur A. Schomberg, of New York, will preside at the sessions of the ceremony.

Man Lands in Cell
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Two Held Pending Recovery of Man

Worker Found Unconscious
in Street After Supposed
Row Out of Danger.

Douglas Hogg, 10 years old, of 1813 F street northwest, who early yesterday was found in an unconscious condition in the street in front of 1214 Ward's court, northwest—presumably suffering from injuries received during a scuffle with his mother—was taken to an Emergency Hospital.

His skull is not fractured, as was at first believed, and his recovery is expected.

Although Hogg regained consciousness yesterday, it was thought that he was still too shocked to be questioned by the police, and the identity of his supposed assailant has not been established.

A colored man and woman are being held for investigation in connection with the case at the Third Precinct station, but they are said to have denied any knowledge as to how Hogg was injured. An unconfirmed version given the police was to the effect that Hogg had been hit over the head and thrown out of a house in Ward's court.

He is an employee of the Fuller Construction Co.

Negro Academy to Hold
Annual Meeting Friday

The thirty-second annual meeting of the American Negro Academy was announced last night by Robert A. DeBuchi, president of the school.

Charles F. Caruso, president of the Board of Education, and Dr. W. E. Ballou, superintendent of schools, will be the principal speakers. They will discuss the school situation and plans for improvements. Henry Gilligan, of the School Board, also will speak.

Japanese Manuscript
Copy Given to Library

Through the courtesy of the Japanese Ambassador, the Public Library has been presented with a photostatic copy of the ancient manuscripts of the commentary written by Prince Shotoku on the Buddhist scripture, "The Lotus of Truth."

The copy presented to the Congressional Library is one of three brought to the United States by Ambassador DeBuchi at the request of President Kozai, of the Tokyo Imperial University, for distribution to three representative libraries in the United States.

The manuscripts were made in the 8th century and contain the Buddhist philosophy and practical assistance of American institutions and individuals extended to the University of Tokyo following the Japanese earthquake in 1923.

Sacco Witness to Lecture.

Louis C. Cahn, Goddard, widely known as a chess expert who testified in the Mills murder case and in the Sacco-Vanzetti trial in Massachusetts, will give an illustrated lecture Thursday night at the meeting of the Reserve Officers' Association in the Interior Department auditorium. His subject will be "Small Arms and Small Arms Identification."

"Who can say these estimates are not correct? At least they are nearly as accurate as any statement which has been made. Then in the face of these facts, why not pass the pending Dale-Lehlbach bill?"

Chairman of Joint Conference on Dale-Lehlbach Bill Urges Passage at Short Session; Says Interest From Fund Soon Will Pay Charges.

The Dale-Lehlbach bill to liberalize the civil service retirement law would cost the Government nothing in the near future and might never cost anything. Robert H. Alcorn, chairman of the Joint Conference on Retirement, declared yesterday at the Capitol.

Alcorn is working to have the bill passed before the short session adjourns March 4. Had it not been for the Republic leaders, who deliberately blocked it in the closing days, the bill would have passed the last session, for the House was ready to pass it if it came up. The Senate already had passed it.

Dr. Thompson estimates the expenditures in the fiscal year of 1941 at least \$700,000,000. This does not necessarily mean that the bill will cost anything. Our own estimates based on the best figures to date give us approximately \$620,000,000 in the fund of July, 1942, with interest of nearly \$25,000,000 annually with no additional appropriation by the Government except that made by the House.

Through his attorneys, Newmyer & King, Klein listed his debts at \$124,923.12 and his assets at \$550.93.

AMBULANCE, AFTER SEVERING HORSE'S TAIL

STUDY UNDERGROUND CURRENTS



WELCH'S SALARY BILL DATA SHOWS MC'CARL KNOCKED OUT RAISES

Intent of Congress Changed
by Ruling, Is Claim; For-
warded to Lehlbach.

LATTER WOULD MAKE HIS BILL RETROACTIVE

Hopes to Obtain for Employees
Money Lost; Budget Bureau
Report Awaited.

The first batch of data on which a bill to revise the Welch salary act will be based was received at the Capitol yesterday by Chairman Lehlbach, of Moffett, the representative of the Civil Service Commission on the Personnel Classification Board.

The data was immediately dispatched to Representative Lehlbach, chairman of the House civil service committee, who proposes to draft a new pay bill while he is at home during the Christmas recess.

Early last week Chairman Lehlbach called upon the Personnel Classification Board and the Bureau of the Budget to help him in his work. He had been advised before he could draft the new bill. It is expected that the Bureau of the Budget will have its information ready early next week.

Shows Effect of Ruling

The report submitted yesterday by Moffett is understood to show specific instances of how the ruling of Comptroller General McCarl caused hundreds of employees to get more or less than Congress expected they would get when the Welch bill was passed. It is also expected that the new bill will have its cost to the government.

The report of the Bureau of the Budget will have an important influence on the drafting and the ultimate fate of the bill to revise the Welch salary act.

Hundreds of employees who Congress thought would get a raise of \$120 got only a \$60 raise, hundreds of others who were supposed to get \$200 only \$100. There were many more employees who did not get any raises for one or two, three or four months after the Welch act went into effect.

Cost Will Show.

The Bureau of the Budget is expected to show how much it would cost the Government if a retroactive clause were put into the bill that Lehlbach is about to draft, a clause that would give these employees all the money that Congress intended they should get.

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Woman Faces Drug And Check Charge

Mrs. L. M. Cook, Held in
Frauds, Alleged to Have
Narcotics in Cuff.

Charges of violation of the Harrison narcotics law yesterday were preferred against Mrs. Mary E. Marshall, 24-year-old nurse of Baltimore, Md., who Friday was returned to this city from Richmond, Va., on a warrant charging false pretenses.

The latest charge was ordered made by the Bureau of Internal Revenue against Mrs. Marshall, following the alleged finding of a syringe and a quantity of drugs sewed in a fur coat of the woman's coat when she was searched Friday night at matrons at the House of Detention.

Mrs. Cook, who is understood to be the wife of a prominent Baltimorean, is said by the police to have secured approximately \$200 worth of merchandise from Washington merchants and paid for them with bad checks. Detention Secretary Kock said last night, however, that most of the merchandise has been recovered.

Gold Medal Offered
For Virginia Essay

Sons of the Revolution in the District of Columbia will award a gold medal for the best essay on "The War of the Confederation" to the author of the best

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CRUISERS AND THE TREATY.
The cruiser bill is now the unfinished legislative business of the Senate, and the Kellogg treaty is the unfinished executive business. The cruiser bill stands in an advantageous position and if it has the support of a majority of senators it can pass in spite of the filibuster that is coming. No doubt an effort will be made to prevent a vote on the cruiser bill by thrusting in appropriation bills and conference reports; but the filibuster can not beat the bill unless the Kellogg treaty is delayed also. A filibuster against the Kellogg treaty could defeat both the treaty and the cruiser bill at this session, but this event is unlikely to occur, as the opponents of the Kellogg treaty are anxious to pass the cruiser bill.

Much store is laid by pacifists upon the advantage that would be gained by approving the Kellogg treaty before the cruiser bill is brought to a vote. It may be that several senators will press for a vote on the treaty for the purpose of killing the cruiser bill. If they become too eager in this direction the treaty will have hard sledding and may go into the Hoover administration along with the cruiser bill. The treaty must have a two-thirds vote; therefore a minority can make much trouble for it, and a bare majority can attach reservations. The cruiser bill needs only a majority; hence a minority can not obstruct it as easily as a treaty can be obstructed.

The assumption that the Kellogg treaty is as good as ratified is not borne out by present conditions in the Senate. It offers opportunity for interminable discussion, particularly when the interpretations made by Great Britain and France are considered. These interpretations can not be waved aside by the mere assertion that the treaty will be construed hereafter without regard to the understandings expressed by the parties when they adhered to it. The understandings are as much a part of the treaty as if they were in the text. If the understandings are not acceptable, now is the time to ascertain the fact.

The scrutiny of the Senate is invaluable in the making of treaties. Much as the Kellogg treaty is desired by the American people, it must be admitted that careful examination of an international compact is always prudent. If the pact is a pure and simple renunciation of war it will survive any amount of senatorial dissection. If it is a dangerous commitment, examination will disclose the fact.

In any event the United States must keep its Navy up to the strength required for the national security. The Kellogg treaty encourages peace, but does not insure the Nation against the injuries of war. Whether the treaty becomes effective or not, the American flag will fly on the high seas, and American guns must and will, if necessary, protect the flag.

THE AUTOGYRO.

Juan de la Cierva's autogyro has been given a successful test flight over American soil. When he was abroad last year Harold Pitcairn, airplane manufacturer, became interested in the novel machine invented by De la Cierva and purchased

a model with which to experiment in the United States. On Friday it was flown in Philadelphia.

The autogyro is neither airplane nor helicopter. In appearance it resembles a windmill turned on its side. Its fuselage resembles that of the conventional airplane and to it are affixed stub wings. Extending vertically from its center is a shaft, upon the upper end of which are mounted four blades that revolve horizontally in a 25-foot arc. These blades, the so-called windmill, give the machine a lifting power of approximately two tons. Forward motion is attained by a conventional airplane propeller mounted at the front of the fuselage.

The autogyro possesses two revolutionary traits. It can rise from a field practically vertically, and it can descend upon a given spot absolutely vertically.

De la Cierva has demonstrated to the satisfaction of experts that the autogyro is practical, and his flight across the English Channel last September testifies to its air-worthiness. Mr. Pitcairn says that the machine is not yet practicable, but that it has so many points of superiority over existing planes that further experiment with it is advisable. Unquestionably, he says, the autogyro is much safer than the airplane.

Development of the device will be watched with intense interest by the aeronautical industry. Inasmuch as the autogyro demands a greater expenditure of power for the mere purpose of keeping it aloft than does the airplane, it does not seem likely that it will supersede the conventional design. Since the autogyro, however, needs only a small landing field, it may have an important function to fulfill in serving as a ferry to connect urban centers with the huge flying fields of the future, between which air liners will be routed.

CANCEL OUR DEBTS AND LEND US MORE."

Cautious feelers have been put forth to test public opinion in regard to the flotation in this country of an enormous amount of German bonds for the purpose of extinguishing reparations and war debts. A committee of experts is to meet soon to devise a plan for commercializing Germany's obligations to the late allied powers. If the plans now on foot can be worked out, it is proposed to adjust the entire liquidation of the war over a period of about 35 years. During that time Germany will be paying off the bonds about to be issued. The allies will pay part of the proceeds of the bonds to the United States in full payment of their reduced war debts, and the balance will be used for reconstruction of devastated areas, the increase of armaments, &c. The entire operation hinges upon the possibility of inducing the United States to scale down the war debts. Thus, in the long run, Europe proposes to liquidate the war by saddling most of the remaining burden upon American taxpayers, who must pay off all the debt contracted by the United States for the purpose of financing the allies during the war and afterward.

"And afterward" has a meaning that no American should forget. It is blandly stated by European spokesmen that the United States is morally bound to scale down or cancel the debts, because allied armies stood the brunt of the fighting after America entered the war. "It was a common cause," they say; "we paid in blood for your delay, and now you demand that we should pay back the money we used in fighting for your defense." A plausible argument, indeed; but it is smashed when the record is examined. The United States lent great sums to the allies after the armistice, when there was no fighting, and when the money was used in part for commercial purposes. These after-the-war loans, with interest, are as follows:

Great Britain	\$660,000,000
France	1,655,000,000
Belgium	258,000,000
Italy	800,000,000

The value of the debt agreement made with the various debtors is as follows:

Great Britain	\$3,297,000,000
France	1,681,000,000
Belgium	192,000,000
Italy	426,000,000

Thus it will be seen that the United States will receive from each debtor, except Great Britain, a total repayment amounting to less than the loans made after the war had ended. In effect, the United States is not collecting anything for money loaned during the war, except from Great Britain. Great Britain is more than compensated by collections from the others and from Germany.

All the debtors ask that the debts be scaled down or canceled, but not one of them expresses any concern for the American taxpayer, who must pay in full

all the debt contracted by the United States in behalf of its associates in the war.

What will these taxpayers say when Europe asks them to scale down the debts still further, or cancel them altogether? Will the United States Government protect the taxpayers, or will it join in a scheme to stabilize Europe at the American taxpayers' expense? Billions of dollars have already been written off the European debt to the United States, but not a dollar of the taxpayers' obligation to the Treasury has been written off. Interest rates to European debtors have been reduced or canceled, but American taxpayers are paying in full the principal and interest nominally in the Liberty and Victory bonds.

If the European nations were striving solely to recuperate and live at peace among themselves the American people would not regret having made concessions on the debt; but some of the money that should have come back to America has been devoted to armies, forts, warships, and naval bases. Great Britain has made Malta the greatest naval base in the world, and Singapore is becoming another stronghold. The British navy is much stronger than the United States Navy. France has spent huge sums in military preparations, meanwhile ignoring its debt to the United States.

President Coolidge said in his Armistice Day address that Americans did not propose to finance another foreign war. The plans now on foot in Europe contemplate a settlement that will be equivalent to that.

Americans are to be asked to lend additional billions to Europe, on the ground that the billions already borrowed are a crushing load upon Europe. It will be up to President Hoover, if he approves such a scheme, to convince the people that the only manner in which they can make restitution to Europe for the brutal act of lending it money is to lend it some more.

BEAUTY IN AMERICA.

Summarizing the artistic achievements of the year, H. W. Kent, secretary of the Metropolitan Museum of Art, predicts that America is on the verge of the most remarkable development in the history of art. He visions a revolution which will put art on a democratic basis, combining the influence of mass production in this country with the general growth of culture resulting from universal education. We can no longer relate our artistic expression to the museum, he says, pointing out that the strength of the present movement lies in its sincerity, its lack of artificiality and its directness of purpose.

This optimistic view of the art possibilities of the New World should be added to many other predictions that America will ultimately gain leadership in both art and literature. There is unmistakable evidence that an artistic sensibility is developing in the United States; and it will not be a copy of Old World estheticism. It will be founded on a new conception of art which will be in keeping with life as it is now lived. Art will be employed to adorn, not only the interior of churches, galleries and palatial residences, but it will enrich the architecture of cities and will affect the design and decoration of homes. It will be manifest in the building of parks, in statuary, and in the landscaping of highways and boulevards.

The fact that America has developed the most advanced economic civilization in the world, yet still lags behind the older nations in the development of art and literature, has brought severe criticism from many quarters. But it was necessary to build from the ground up. Poetry, sculpture and painting do not spring from an uncultivated soil. The pioneer must precede the home builder, the merchant and the manufacturer, and all these must be well established before the fine arts can be expected to appear. America has been a nation for only a century and a half, and during that time all her energy has been required to push civilization across the continent. Not until the present century has the groundwork been laid for the adornment of life by beauty.

Conditions are changing now. Wealthy men are beginning to foster literary genius. Patrons of the arts are increasing with the extension of higher education. Machinery is doing the work of the country and the people have more time and inclination to turn their thoughts to beauty.

The task of ridding the land of ugliness is a tremendous one. But America is undertaking the work with the same spirit in which her pioneers spread civilization from ocean to ocean. Much has already been accomplished in art and literature. Out of the new movement,



The Early Birds Are on the Wing.

and the universal encouragement of American painting, sculpture and writing, should blossom some of the finest art and literature of all time.

STEEL RAILROAD TIES.

What may easily prove to be a revolution in railroad construction in Britain has just been inaugurated by the placing of an initial order, on behalf of the Southern Railway of England, for 70,000 steel ties. Steel ties have been for some time in use in other countries, but the conservative British railroad magnates have hitherto fought shy of them, and thus the Southern Railway Company becomes in this respect a pioneer. It is calculated that with 70,000 ties, which will require 5,000 tons of steel, 35 miles of track can be equipped over a period of two years.

The motive for the change is twofold—practical and patriotic. In the first place, a ton of steel, costing about £11, will make some 14 ties, complete with the "chair," at a price estimated at 15s. 6d. per tie. The "chair" has at present to be separately fixed to the wooden tie. For the steel tie only the "key" and two small plates will have to be provided. Besides, the price of wooden ties has been steadily increasing, and all the best timber for the purpose has to be imported into Britain.

If the life of both classes of ties be assumed to be the same, namely, 20 years, the cost of installation, maintenance, and renewal would, at present prices, be about the same; but experience in other countries shows that the steel tie will outlast the timber one. For example, in Germany a life of 30 years for the steel tie is estimated. Thus the item of cost would be in favor of the latter. If the price of imported timber were to go up even slightly, as is not unlikely, then the balance of cost would be greatly on the side of the competing material.

The patriotic motive is seen in the help that would be given to the British steel industry, if steel ties came into general use and orders for them were placed with British firms, as has been done by the directors of the Southern Railway. The consumption of ties on British railroads is about 4,000,000 every year, and if all the mileage were steel equipped and if the same ratio of consumption were maintained, it would mean orders for some 300,000 tons of British steel annually.

The Southern Railway is not going into this matter blindly. Its directors have for some years been making experiments on the London-Plymouth line, over which the heaviest locomotives and the most up-to-date rolling-stock pass daily. The results have satisfied the

technical experts that the steel tie is equal to the strain.

It is by no means improbable that by this new turn of events the British steel industry may enter on an era of much-needed prosperity.

BRITAIN AND THE TARIFF.

That the British government, by increasingly applying the safeguarding of industries act, has gone a long way in the direction of the establishment of a general protective policy is a fairly self-evident fact. That it may go farther and set up a universal high tariff law, with, perhaps, some discrimination in favor of certain needed foodstuffs and raw material for manufacturers, is well within the bounds of possibility. At all events, it is receiving some significant encouragement to abandon, either once and for all or as a worth-while temporary experiment, the traditional British doctrine of free trade.

At the recent annual luncheon of the Empire Industries Association the principal speaker was Lord Melchett. As Sir Alfred Mond and a Liberal, Lord Melchett used to be a free trader, but he saw a great light, abandoned free trade, and threw in his lot with the Conservatives. His speech the other day was a reasoned demand for protection. He contended that it is as clear as crystal that, unless the British Empire is speedily welded into some economic whole, there will be tendency to economic divergence, which must in time undermine the slender bonds that hold the empire together. He maintained that the eyes of Britons must be turned, not to Geneva, but rather to Ottawa and to Sydney. He thought that, if courage enough were forthcoming to put a ring-fence, a tariff wall, around the empire, there would not be one free trader who could oppose such an extension of the free exchange of goods as that plan would involve.

In support of his case, Lord Melchett naturally turned to the United States, declaring that the American people had never hesitated to defend their position by means of high tariffs, and he asked if it were possible for Britain to go on without some measure of the same kind. He admitted that he had been a free trader, but he contended that not merely had conditions altered but also that the whole of British national sentiment had changed. People, he said, no longer believe in cut-throat competition as the salvation of industry.

Such sentiments as these, emanating from one of the great leaders of British industry, are bound to have weight. It will be interesting to observe the reaction of the present Conservative British administration to the overtures thus publicly made, especially as considerable

numbers of its own thick-and-thin supporters are avowedly and enthusiastically in favor of a policy of protection, and have been so for a long time.

GOV. ROOSEVELT'S PROGRAM.

Governor-elect Roosevelt has set for himself the task of giving New York a scientific administration. In an address before a large group of business men, legislators and politicians he pledged himself to put the State government on an efficiency basis. Mr. Roosevelt promised especially big things in tax readjustments. "We have a system of taxation in this State, as in the Federal Government," he said, "which has in large part grown up like Topsy. Some ingenious legislators, some ingenious governor, or President, would come forward with some new thought. And there has been the matter from time to time of the repeal of taxes, and that, too, has been the thought of some individual or some small group pushing it. The result is that our whole system in the United States is a patchwork, a growth rather than a carefully thought-out plan. One of the things we shall undertake in the next few years in the State of New York is a study of its business and the whole subject of taxation from a scientific and economic point of view."

The plan is full of promise, and it will be interesting to see how far the New York Governor-elect can carry it out without the inevitable interference of political powers. New York has a budget of \$250,000,000 per year to spend, compared with \$40,000,000 less than 20 years ago. The tremendous increase in expenditures has resulted from new demands for highways, better and more complete education, research activities, social welfare and hundreds of improvements within the communities of the State. Millions have gone for hospitals and parks. Obviously collection and disbursement of funds for these purposes require a maximum of business sagacity and a minimum of political influence.

Mr. Roosevelt's plan to appoint a non-partisan commission of experts to study State taxation should commend itself to other governors. The scheme may not result in reduction of taxation, as the governor-elect hopes, but it may correct inequalities and curtail wastes of the present system. Any movement to place government on an efficiency basis will be welcomed by the people.

It is generally agreed that people can't stand prosperity, but no two seem to agree as to the proper way to stand it.

Few people can profit by cutting their best friend, but the bootlegger does.

CLUBS

By VYLLA POE WILSON.

THE preservation of our national forests which is an important part of the work of many women's organizations, is not overlooked by them even at Christmas time when the Christmas tree blooms in many homes.

While the club women and women's organizations rather than discourage the use of the Christmas tree as a home-making essential at Yuletide, they are also carrying on a campaign led by the conservation committee of the General Federation of Women for Christmas trees. They are cooperating with the proper agencies in distributing knowledge to the women and to the owner of forests and lands just how and which trees should be cut in order to insure the supply of trees for other years, and to prevent a wood shortage.

The women have informed themselves on what the experts on this subject regard as the necessary steps to prevent a wasteful cutting of trees and the necessary steps to prevent them.

The women have also arranged a Christmas dinner to be served from 5:30 to 7:30 o'clock in the ball room of the club house for members and guests.

Mrs. Francis B. Merchant, chairman of the civic section, has arranged a luncheon for Saturday, Col. U. S. Grant Day, which will be the speaker. Mrs. Merritt C. Chase, president, and Miss Mary E. Lazebny will assist.

Mrs. Lawton Miller, chairman of the child welfare committee, announced a lecture on "The School Child" by Dr. Ernest Hadley, at a luncheon, January 11, in the club house.

The women have arranged the tiny living Christmas tree in the home to be planted when the weather permits as mementoes of happy occasions has been marked by the efforts of the club women with some communities during the past few years.

A woman first sounded the nationwide call for equal rights for Christmas trees when Miss Evelyn W. Smith, of Anawalt, N. Y., blazed the path for the women's community tree by the practicalities of transplanting and transplanting them and setting in example by her gifts of nine living trees to towns, and smaller living trees to individuals.

Approved by Coolidge.

The official stamp of approval was placed on the living community tree by President Coolidge. Christmas 1924, when he dedicated the community tree in the park across from the White House. This was a Norway spruce donated by Miss Smith.

Many of the local women's clubs having grounds, especially those in the suburbs, have planted Yule trees in their gardens and make a little bit of room for those who pass by decorating them.

Many women in Washington at Christmas time have no home but their club or organization home to celebrate their Christmas in so many of the Washington clubs are giving Christmas trees in their homes, assisting at those at the club headquarters.

The business of Cabinet making which is going on in Washington, through the President's office is in South American interests the women particularly. There are many rumors around the organization headquarters that real recognition will be given to women and a woman will perhaps be secretary.

The wish expressed in a recent speech in Lexington, Ky., by Ruth Anna McCormick, the newly elected representative to the large group of women who have done good work in the Government bureaus will be promoted and that a woman Assistant Secretary of Agriculture will be appointed has pleased the large following of women who are making a mark in Washington, as well as women leaders all over the country. It is pointed out that the Department of Agriculture through its home extension division and other bureaus has taken a special interest in women who are the American woman and the American home and has been most useful not only to the women on the farms but in the cities as well.

Aiding Cause of Women.

The American Association of University Women is sponsoring a national program for the development of new business and professional activities for women through surveys and the establishment of a clearing house for information on the entrance of women into various fields. This work will be done in cooperation with the Institute of Women's Professional Relations, which has just been established at the University of North Carolina.

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Woman's Alliance.

The Woman's Alliance of All Souls' Church (Unitarian) will hold its Christmas meeting in Pierce Hall, Fifteenth and Harvard streets, Friday, at 11 a. m. Mrs. George E. Reed, Mrs. Jameson, Mrs. Dorothy Detweiler, Mrs. Lois Ottenberg, Mrs. Helen Gardner Colton, Mrs. Clara Wright Smith and Mrs. Lester Follock.

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Christmas Cheer for Disabled.

Christmas cheer has been taken to the Washington service hospitals and the veterans there through the kindly hostess committee and the Ladies of the Blue Bells of the District Chapter of the American Legion. Mrs. George E. Reed, chairman of the hospital for the District chapter, has directed her volunteer workers on their missions of Yuletide and through the benefactions of Miss Alice Clapp, the good angel of service men in local hospitals, Christmas comforts and gifts have been provided for the men in Mount Alto U. S. Naval Hospital and St. Elizabeths Hospital.

The Gray Ladies of Walter Reed, a unit affiliated with the District Red Cross, have performed the kind of service for those in Walter Reed.

Therefore, through these women no veteran in Washington, spending his Christmas Day in a local hospital will be allowed to feel lonely or be without suitable remembrance of the season.

In addition to the gifts and comforts, carol services and programs, and even dances for the convalescent, will do much to brighten up the day for these sons of America who are still paying the price for democracy.

Woman's City Club.

At the Woman's City Club tea this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock for members of the club and their guests, a program of Christmas carols will be given by members of the club chorus, under the direction of Mrs. George E. Reed. The children from the juvenile choir of Keller Memorial Lutheran Church—Virginia Wood, Catherine Doucet, Kathleen Birnstein and Virginia Bell—will assist the club chorus. Marjorie De La Motte, the Monday bridge section has the following enrollment of members who meet Monday afternoons at 1:45 o'clock each week: Mrs. A. F. Arnold, Mrs. C. L. Butler, Mrs. Edgar T. Brown, Mrs. Lucia Bedford, Mrs. E. B. Colley, Mrs. George Chase, Mrs. R. O. Cheney, Mrs. T. H. Dawson, Mrs. M. Dolman, Mrs. Lewis Flimer, Mrs. Susan Gwynne, Mrs. A. H. Hayes, Mrs. F. Hayward, Mrs. John H. Harwood, Mrs. G. D. Horning, Mrs. Edith Q. He-

del, Mrs. James Irwin, Mrs. A. K. Lowe, Mrs. S. Madson, Mrs. Mary McLean, Mrs. George A. Martin, Mrs. H. L. McCoy, Mrs. L. H. Mattingly, Mrs. P. B. Metz, Mrs. G. B. Middlemiss, Mrs. W. C. McSparron, Mrs. William H. Osborn, Mrs. E. Edwin Reid, Mrs. George E. Reid, Mrs. Fredricka Reid, Mrs. J. J. Reid, Mrs. Sener, Mrs. S. J. Shoemaker, Mrs. L. Sliocovich, Mrs. Corbin Thompson, Mrs. E. D. Vosbury, Mrs. Van Metre, Mrs. Charles H. Wilcox, Mrs. A. B. Wilson, Mrs. W. W. Whitney and Mrs. Frederick W. Yates. During the social hour on Monday a reception was held in honor of the new members of the section. The next meeting will be Monday, December 31. Mrs. J. Edwin Reid is chairman.

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Twenty-first Century Club.

Merle Thorpe, editor of "Nation's Business," will be the speaker at the January meeting of the Twenty-first Century Club. His subject will be announced later.

The Archaeological Section will meet Friday at 2:45 p. m. at 222 Woodley Place, Miss Charlotte Priest, of National Park Seminary, will speak on "Training of early men found in the Orkneys." Mrs. Josephine Lowe is the leader.

Petworth Woman's Club.

The Petworth Woman's Club held its monthly meeting Monday at the Petworth School. Mrs. Merritt C. Chase, president of the District Federation of Women's Clubs, attended.

Appropriations were made to five local charities for use in Christmas work. The club committee was appointed to prepare

Christmas trees for the Petworth School, as was the custom of the club. More than 50 stockings were distributed by the philanthropic section to be filled for needy children.

The music section sang two choruses and Mrs. Harlan Randall sang a solo. The hospitality section entertained with a short humorous sketch, "They Say."

League of Republican Women.

The first of a series of luncheons of the League of Republican Women was held at the Washington Club Monday.

The queen of honor was Mrs. E. Harriman, who was Mrs. Edward G. and Edmund Platt, vice governor of the Federal Reserve Board.

Among those present were Mrs. Alvin H. Smith, Mrs. Anna White Smith, Mrs. Hert, Mrs. Virginia White Smith, Mrs. Samuel J. Prescott, Mrs. J. M. Murray, Mrs. Overton Lea, the Misses Sedgwick, Marion Butler, Mrs. William R. Turner, Mrs. F. D. Head, Mrs. Joshua Crane, Jr., Mrs. L. H. Hodgkins, Mrs. Alice Pickering, Mrs. Edward Kauflmann, Mrs. Horace H. K. Daugherty, Mrs. Edward A. Keys, Mrs. Charles Alger and Mrs. H. K. Daugherty. The centerpiece on each table was a large electric Christmas tree symbol. Several new members were received.

The next meeting of the league will take place Monday, January 7, at 3:30 p. m. at the Washington Club. The subject for the forum will be "The American Cruisers Bill" and the leaders are Mrs. Charles Alger and Mrs. Clara McQuown.

University Women.

A musical play was given by the musical section of the University Women's Club of Chevy Chase Wednesday. The play, "The First Annual Convention of the Link of Notions," was written by Mrs. J. Edward Gann and Edmund Platt, directed by Mrs. Theodore W. Norcross, and was followed by Uncle Sam, Mrs. John D. Mackintosh, Mrs. Harold G. Sutton, Mrs. Irene B. Murphy, Mrs. John Y. Houghton, Mrs. Thomas C. Bradbury, Mrs. Wright Clark and Mrs. William M. Sweets. Mrs. Campbell E. Waters was in charge of the luncheon committee.

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Members of the American Association of University Women will be hosts from foreign universities will be hosts at tea at the clubhouse tomorrow at 4 p. m. The program will be omitted.

The book review group will meet Tuesday, Mrs. M. A. Anderson will be in charge. Mrs. Leonie K. Underwood will review "The Happy Mountain" and Mrs. Anderson will review "Point Counter Point."

The second number of the course in Interpretations of New Forms of Old Art will be given Friday at 8:15 p. m. at the Y. W. C. A. Auditorium. The club then presents Miss Anita Zahn.

Mrs. John A. Sippel, president of the



Left—Mrs. Theodore Cogswell, chairman of the Woman's Bar Association banquet committee. Center—Mrs. A. W. Macauley, president of the Women's Auxiliary of Fidac, the Interallied Veterans Association. Right—Mrs. George F. Bouwman, president of the Twenty-first Century Club.

intendant of schools, in charge of elementary education, was the guest of Miss Jeanne LaSalle, Mrs. Clinton Thompson was the guest of Mrs. Louise Stanbury. Mrs. Marshall Davis was the guest of Mrs. Ameli Gude Thomas; Miss Lillian Bowman was the guest of Miss Elizabeth A. Hunnington. Other guests were Mrs. Edward L. Koch, vice president of the Montgomery County Federation, Mrs. William B. N. Brookes, president of the Women's Club of Bethesda, and Mrs. Earl W. Coffey, president of the Maryland General Federation, and Mrs. Karl Ferguson, president of the Washington Branch of the American Association of University Women.

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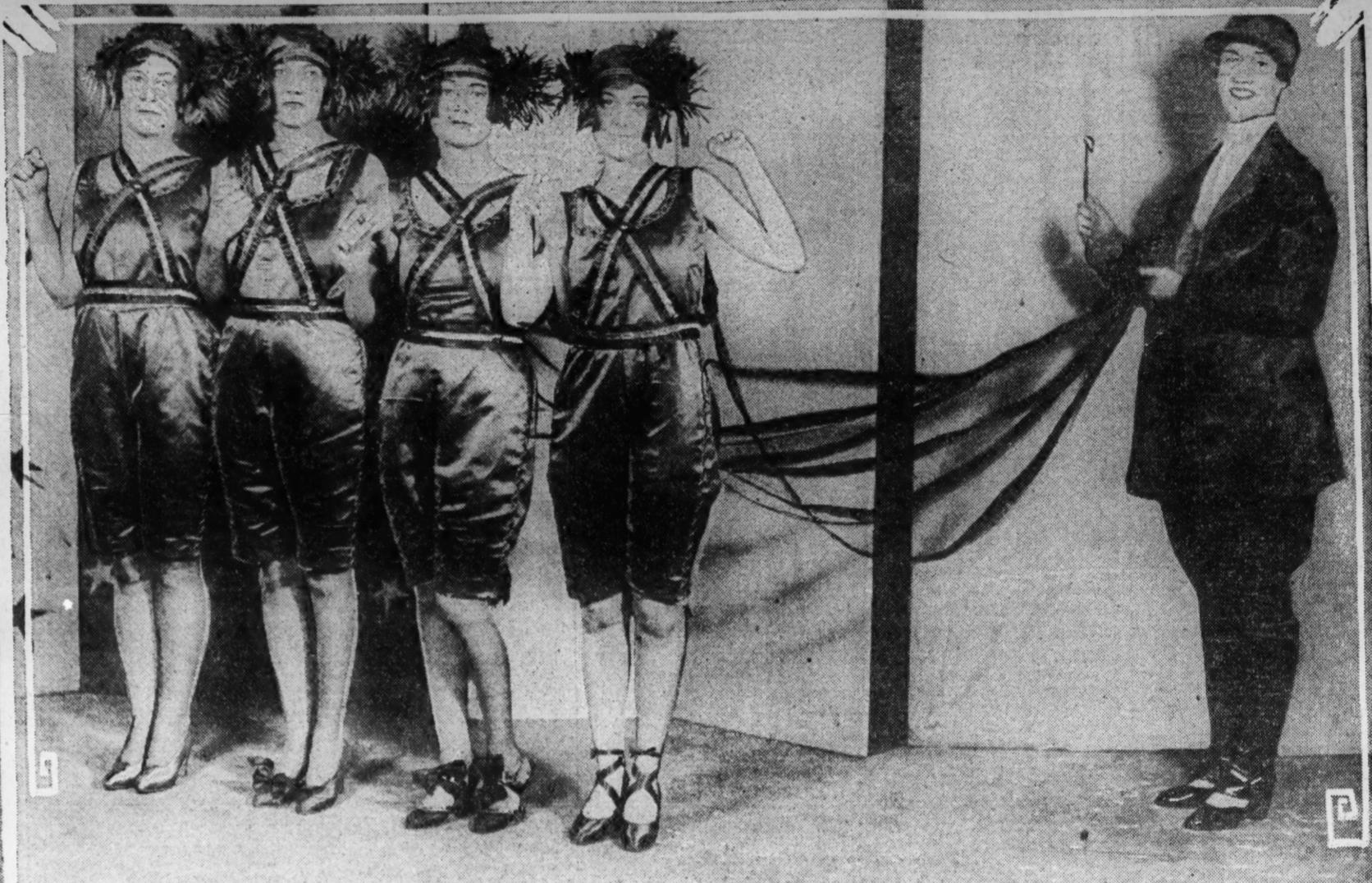
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Mrs. Winslow Van Devanter, Mme. Zorabella at the Junior League Society Circus. HARRIS EWING



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Clifford. HARRIS EWING



Miss Rachel Davies,
one of the Gypsy
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dinner given by Senator and Mrs. Henry Wilder Keyes.

FRIDAY night the Ambassador of Germany and Frau von Prittwitz were again dinner hosts. Later in the evening society was well represented at a ball given by Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Hubbard for Miss Carolyn Huston Thompson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Huston Thompson, at the Mayflower. This was attended by a number of out-of-town guests.

CHRISTMAS will be celebrated by two large balls. On Christmas Eve there will be the one for the midshipmen and cadets of the Army, Navy and Marine Corps at the Mayflower. Mrs. Charles P. Summerall, wife of the chief of staff, heads the list of Army patronesses for the ball, and Mrs. Curtis D. Wilbur, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, is at the head of the Navy patronesses, with Mrs. Theodore Douglas Robinson, wife of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy, and Miss Elizabeth Warner, sister of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Aeronautics, Mr. Edward P. Warner, also on the list.

Mrs. Anna Robbins, daughter of the Assistant Secretary of War, Col. Charles B. Robbins, will be chairman of the debutante floor committee, assisted by Miss Beatrice Littlefield, who is vice chairman. Col. George B. Comly will represent the Army and Capt. Alfred Johnson will represent the Navy as chairmen of the men's floor committee.

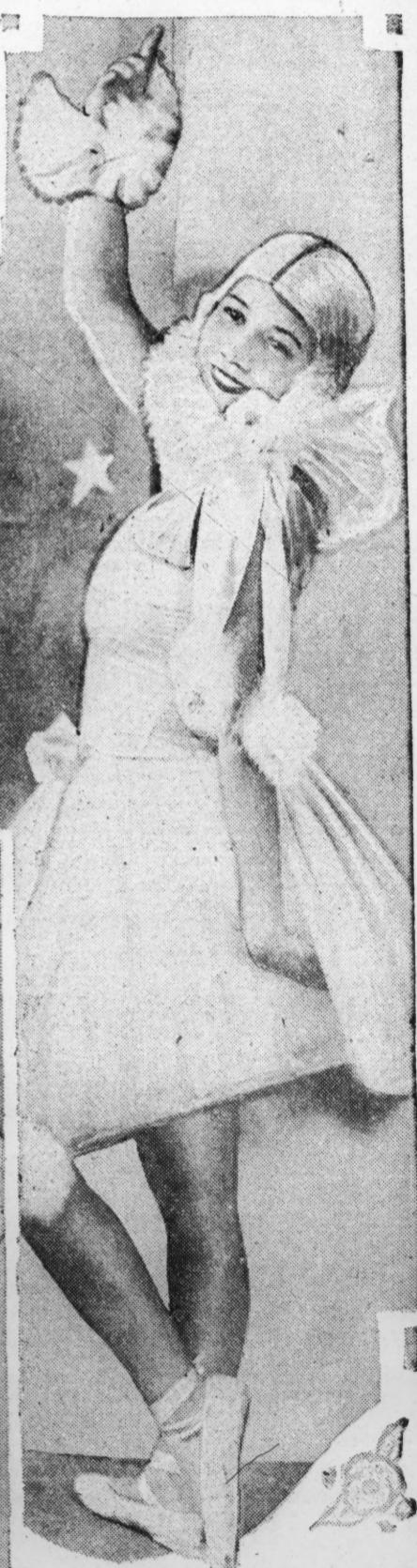
As all the members of the services will be in full dress uniforms, this ball is expected to have an unusually gay appearance and many boxes already have been taken for the event.

EVERY one is interested in the ball held before they leave the country and there have been so many changes in the corps that a great many of the social activities have been in their honor. On Thursday night the dean of the corps, Sir Esme and Lady Isabella Howard were dinner hosts for the retiring Minister of the Irish Free State, Mr. Timothy A. Smiddy, who went yesterday to New York to sail January 4.

The Ambassador of Peru, Dr. Hernan Velarde, was the ranking guest at another dinner Thursday night, given by the Minister of the Dominican Republic and Senora de Morales. The Ambassador of Japan and Mme. Debuchi, then the Ambassador of Brazil, Mr. S. Gurgel do Amaral, entertained that night



Gypsy Dancing Girls- Miss Margaret Machall,
Miss Dorothy Hill, Mrs. William N. Sturtevant,
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Miss Virginia Peters, the
circus ballerina. HARRIS EWING

worth, Jr., Mrs. Edward Walker, Mrs. Lee Warren, Mrs. John F. Wilkins, Mrs. John R. Williams, Mrs. Charles Boughton Wood and Mr. Donald Woodward.

THIS has been a season of an unusual number of engagements and the most recent one, which is of interest to Washingtonians, is that of Miss Betty Sturges, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Hollister Sturges, of Chicago, to Mr. Henry Field, son of Mrs. Algernon E. Burnaby, of Baggrave Hall, Leicestershire, England.

The reason that this is of interest here is that Mrs. Burnaby is well known in Washington, where, as Miss Minna Field, she passed her girlhood with her mother, the late Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page, one of the most popular hostesses of the Capital. And, of course, every one remembers Mr. Thomas Nelson Page with affection.

Mrs. Burnaby, who is the wife of Mr. Algernon Burnaby, has made her home

the Christmas features of the ball, which will be attended by a large number of the younger set who are home for the holidays. Many dinners will precede the ball, among them one by Mrs. Alexander Legare, whose custom it is to entertain each year on this night.

The boxholders include the Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Andrew W. Mellon; Countess Szchenyi, Mrs. James Couzens, Mrs. Walter Edge, Mrs. Peter Goelet Gerry, Mrs. David A. Reed and Mrs. Richard Aldrich among those in the official set; also

Mrs. Paul Bastedo, Mrs. Frederick H. Brooke, Mrs. Sidney Cloman, Mrs. James F. Curtis, Mrs. Walter Denegre, Mrs. James C. Dunn, Mrs. Gibson Fahnestock, Mrs. A. Y. B. Garnett, Mrs. William B. Hibbs, Mrs. Rimes, Mrs. R. R. Hitt, Mr. Frank Hogan, Mrs. Legare, Mrs. Joseph Leiter, Mrs. Frank Letts, Mrs. Jacob Leander Losse, Mr. Horace Luttrell, Mrs. Gibson P. Meredith, Mrs. Eugene Myer, Mrs. Joseph Noel, Mrs. Frank B. Noyes, Mrs. Arthur O'Brien, Mr. Cleveland Perkins, Mrs. Edmund D. Rheem, Mrs. Henry B. Spencer, Mrs. James W. Wads-

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England since her marriage, where she has entertained many of her American friends. She has always been an enthusiastic horsewoman since she was a little girl in Washington, and has kept up her favorite sport of hunting in England. The Prince of Wales and the Duke of York have been guests at her home. The Duchess of York is a cousin of Maj. Burnaby.

Miss Sturges' parents formerly lived in Philadelphia, and her time has been divided between that city, Chicago and England. She is a frequent guest of her aunt, Lady Sandringham. Mr. Field is in business in Chicago, where he is assistant curator of the Field Museum, it is probable that he and his bride-to-be will make their home in that city. The wedding will take place January 19.

The Vice President and Mrs. Dawes will be guests in whose honor the British Ambassador and Lady Isabella Howard will entertain at dinner January 7.

The Ambassador of Peru, Dr. Hernan Velarde, will entertain at dinner on Friday evening at the Mayflower. Guests will be laid for 110 persons.

The Ambassador of Mexico, Señor Don Manuel Telles, returned to Washington yesterday after passing several weeks in Mexico City.

The Italian Ambassador and Nobil Donna Antonietta de Martino will entertain at dinner Christmas for the embassy staff and their wives. They will entertain at dinner Thursday for Mr. and Mrs. Charles Evans Hughes, and they will entertain on January 3.

The French Ambassador and Mme. Claudel will entertain at luncheon on Christmas Day for the staff of the embassy and their wives.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Kirkpatrick will entertain at dinner Saturday evening, when there will be dancing after the dinner.

Davilas Entertain For Kellogg.

The Ambassador of Chile and Señora de Davilas entertained at dinner last evening in honor of the Secretary of State and Mrs. Frank B. Kellogg. The guests included the Ambassador of Peru, Dr. Hernan Velarde; the Ambassador of Brazil, Mr. Gurgel do Amaral; the Minister of Education and Señora de Zalameibide, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Evans Hughes, the delegates to the International Arbitration Conference from Peru and Señora de Mauryta, the delegate from Uruguay and Señora de Varela, the delegates from Chile and Sadora de Foster, and Señor and Señora de Sotomayor, the delegates from Paraguay, Señor Eligio Aguirre, the Secretary of the Chilean Embassy, Señor Don Manuel Valdes.

The German Ambassador and Mrs. von Prittwitz have issued invitations for a small dance on January 19 at the embassy.

The Japanese Ambassador and Mrs. Dr. Kondo, the guests in whose honor Dr. and Mrs. George W. Kimball entertained at dinner last evening. The other guests were Senator and Mrs. Thomas F. Bayard, Judge and Mrs. Samuel Jordan Grinnell, Mr. and Mrs. W. Livingston Crouse, and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warren.

The Minister of Switzerland and Mme. Peter will have as their guests for Christmas, their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George Peter, of New York, and their son, Mr. Marc Peter, Jr., of Boston, and Mr. William Leedcase and Mr. Ceresole, of New York.

The Minister of Colombia, Dr. Enrique Olaya, will entertain at a luncheon tomorrow in honor of the delegates to the International Conference of American States on Conciliation and Arbitration.

The Minister of Honduras, Señor Don Luis Bogen, has returned to Washington from Honduras, where he passed several months.

The Minister of Egypt and Mme. Samy Pasha will go to New York Wednesday to remain until Saturday.

The Minister of Roumania, Mr. George Cretzianu, will entertain at luncheon Christmas Day for the Staff of the legation and their wives.

The Secretary of the Treasury, Mr. Andrew W. Mellon, will leave today for Pittsburgh, Pa., where he will pass Christmas week. He will be joined there by his son, Mr. Paul Mellon, from Yale.

The Secretary of War and Mrs. Dwight F. Davis have with them for the holidays their son, Mr. Dwight F. Davis, Jr., who is here from Harvard.

The Secretary of the Interior, Mr. Roy O. West, is passing the Christmas holidays at his home in Evanston, Ill., with his wife, who attends the Sacred Heart Convent in Montreal, Canada, is passing the holidays with her parents.

The Counselor of the Roumanian Legation, Prince Mihail Sturdza, will return to Washington tomorrow after passing several days in New York.

The Financial Counselor of the Roumanian Legation, Mr. Gheorghe Cretzianu, has as their guest the latter's sister, Mme. Nina Quinteso, of Roumania, who will remain here two months.

The Secretary of Agriculture and Mrs. William M. Jardine will entertain at a box party at the Children's Country Home ball Christmas night. Preceding the ball, Miss Marian Jardine will go to the gun in whose honor her cousin, Miss Ruth Neuberger, will entertain at dinner.

Senator and Mrs. Key Pittman will leave tomorrow for Cuba with friends to pass Christmas week.

Senator and Mrs. John Thomas, of Miss Mary Elizabeth Thomas, who has arrived from the University of Idaho to pass the Christmas at 2400 Sixteenth street.

Senator and Mrs. Royal S. Copeland will pass Christmas at the Warwick Hotel, in New York, with Mrs. Copeland. Mrs. Clarence Grosner returned yesterday from New York, where she went to visit Mrs. Copeland.

Kendricks Are Hosts To Bridal Couple.

Senator and Mrs. John B. Kendrick entertained at dinner last evening at the Chevy Chase Club in honor of Miss Diana Cumming and their son, Mr. young daughter, Miss Ann Moore

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needs during the World War. Gen. Mason was a member of the Legion of the A. E. F. in France, and died shortly after having undertaken this duty.

Miss Elizabeth Morris Kennedy, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Kennedy, made her debut at a tea dance given by her parents yesterday afternoon in the ballroom of the Willard. The debutante, Miss Morris, was in a tea gown with a lace yoke, high lace cuffs and a circular train cut in one with the skirt. Her tulle veil fell from a cap of rose point lace and she carried a prayer book from which fell white ribbons caught with knots of lilies of the valley.

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by her mother, Mrs. Richard Henry Lynn, on Christmas Day at the Mayflower.

Mr. and Mrs. James W. Carmalt will present their daughter, Miss Theresa Carmalt, to society at a ball to be given in her honor on Wednesday at the Mayflower.

Lieut. and Mrs. Robert W. Raynford have taken an apartment for the holidays at the La Salle, where Mrs. Raynford's mother, Mrs. Julian J. Hall, is passing the winter. They will arrive in Washington tomorrow.

Major and Mrs. Albert J. Myer, Mr. and Mrs. North Sturtevant and Mr. Alexander Hagner were hosts at supper at the Club Chantecler Tuesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald B. Jameson, of New York, are spending the Christmas holidays with Mrs. Jameson's parents, the Chief Justice of the Court of Claims and Mrs. Fenton W. Booth, at 1752 Lamont street.

Mrs. Harry Sanderston Morris will entertain at tea at the Wardman Park Hotel on Wednesday for her niece, Miss Florence Ingalls Wilbur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russell F. Wilbur, of Hartford, Conn., who will arrive on that day, remain with them for the following week. Assisting at the tea will be Mrs. Lester Baker and Mrs. F. T. Mossom. Mr. and Mrs. Morris entertained at a dinner dance at the Wardman Park Hotel last evening, having as their guests Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Rogers, of Frederick and Mr. and Mrs. Lester Baker.

Colonel and Mrs. William Prague Coleman, of Washington Barracks, will have their sons, Mr. William Prague Coleman, Jr., and Cadet Samuel Coleman, with them during the holidays.

Miss Cornelius Gardner and daughter, Miss Barendino Gardner, will leave for Canada on Christmas afternoon for Montreal, to enjoy the winter sports during holiday week. Mrs. Gardner plans to return in a few days, but Miss Gardner will not return until the day previous to the Bachelors' Cotillion.

Miss Stevens to Entertain With Luncheon

Mrs. Cabot Stevens has her niece, Miss Margaret Conkling, of Santa Barbara, and her nephews, Mr. Charles, Mr. George and Mr. William Conkling, as her guests for Christmas.

Mrs. Stevens will entertain at luncheon at the Willard Hotel on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Phyllis Higginson and Miss Mignon Sherley, Miss Florence Keya will preside at one table, where Mrs. Delos Blodgett will be assisting hostess for Mrs. Stevens.

Mrs. Charles H. Mill will be joined today by her daughter, Miss Ruth L. Mill, who will arrive from New York to pass the holidays at 2230 California street.

Mrs. Richard Franchot will give a tea dance for her daughters, Miss Anne Franchot and Miss Betty Franchot, on the last of the Mayflower.

Mrs. Joseph W. McIntosh, wife of the former Comptroller of the Currency, had a small luncheon party at the Willard yesterday.

Miss William B. Colver will have as her guests at the Wardman Park Hotel the coming week, Mr. Mark Harris. The engagement of her daughter, Miss Polly Ann Colver, to Mr. Harris, who is the son of the Rev. Gibson William Harris, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church at Ossining, N. Y., was announced last year. He is in his senior year at Williams College.

Mrs. Margaret Campbell Garrett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis W. Garrett, whose marriage to Mr. Alexander Briggs, Jr., of Richmond, Va., will take place Thursday at 4 o'clock in the Bethlehem Chapel, Washington Cathedral, will have her

parents, Capt. and Mrs. F. E. Thuney, 4430 Greenwich Parkway, Foxhall Village.

Commander Jewell to Lead Bachelor Cotillion.

Plans have been completed for the second bachelors' cotillion, which will be held on the evening of January 14, at the Mayflower. It was originally planned to give the second cotillion on January 14, but it was later decided to move up the date a week earlier. Commander Theodore Jewell will lead the next cotillion with Miss Elsie Hoban Alexander. Brig. Gen. Norton will again direct the figures.

Mr. and Mrs. George Lauderdale Plain arrived in Washington Friday to pass Christmas.

Mr. George Eastman, Miss Lillie Hazelton, Miss Ida A. Burnett and Miss Anna Hazelton will be hostesses Thursday afternoon from 2:30 to 5 o'clock to members of Our Flag Chapter, D. A. R.



Chord, Judge and Mrs. Charles Kerr and Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Savage.

Mrs. Eva Whitford Lovette has issued invitations for a Christmas party at her studio, 1731 Connecticut avenue, Wednesday evening. There will be a program of carols and choruses by the Lovette Choral Club and a group of soloists will be presented. A brief luncheon will be served. Assistant will be Mrs. Lula Wood Volland, president, and the members of the board of governors of the Choral Club.

The Washington Chapter of the Trinity College Alumnae Association announce that their fifteenth annual ball will be held at the Willard Hotel, Friday, February 8.

Miss Esther Monahan is chairman of the dance committee. She will be assisted by Miss Sarah Stock, Mrs. James J. Hyden, Miss Bernadette Sheehan, Mrs. John J. Daly, Miss Catherine McMahon, Miss Rita Venable, Miss Alicia Goerner and Miss Mary Coleman.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene M. Fishell and Mr. Samuel Fishell, of Brooklyn, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Fishell.

Miss Hilda King entertained with a dinner party last night at her home in Beverly Courts when the guests numbered twelve.

Miss Peggy Freund, of Pittsburgh, and Miss Bernice Wolf, of Tampa, Fla., are holiday guests of Miss Evelyn Schloss.

Mrs. Sol Minster and daughter, Miss Dorothy Minster, left yesterday by motor for New York and will be guests of their cousins Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Dammann until Christmas Day.

Mr. Alan Goldenberg, who attends Mercersberg Academy, is here with his parents for the Christmas holidays.

Will Pass Christmas In Chicago.

Miss Louise Goldenberg left yesterday to pass Christmas in Chicago.

Miss Peggy Saunders, of Philadelphia, is a holiday guest of Miss Phyllis Kronheimer.

Miss Peggy Strauss, of Pittsburgh, is here for the Christmas holidays with Miss Dorothy Minster and Miss Liebman.

Mrs. Henry L. Kaufman and daughter, Miss Elizabeth Kaufman, depart today for Atlantic City and will pass ten days at the Ritz-Carlton.

Mr. and Mrs. August Baer and daughter, Miss Jeanette Baer, have gone to New York to pass Christmas with relatives.

Mrs. James Greenberg returned Friday to her home in Mount Vernon, N. Y., after passing a week with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Benjamin Leon.

Mrs. Fanny Greenapple, of 2700 Connecticut avenue, has with her for the holidays her daughter, Mrs. Selma G. Cohen, of New York.

The Baltimore Chapter Sigma Omega Pi were honor guests of the local chapter of the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution yesterday at the Hamilton Hotel.

An informal reception followed the wedding. Mrs. Walter Irey presided at the tea table, assisted by Miss Wilharm. The bride was married in a blue afternoon gown and Mrs. Irey wore a blue gown. The bride's mother, Mrs. Schanck left for New York. Mrs. Schanck wears a tan ensemble, with platinum for fur.

Mrs. George Middleton entertained Columbia Chapter, D. A. R., on Tuesday evening at her home, 3718 S. Street.

On January 11 the New York State Society will have a luncheon and ball at the Willard Hotel. Descendants of old patriots will impersonate their ancestors, and several scenes from among Manhattan's classic episodes will pass in pageant form.

The officers and members of the ball committee follow: General chairman, Mr. Thomas J. Fratley; secretary, Miss Helen Sprague; treasurer, Mr. Howard S. Fisk; Mr. J. Miller Kenyon, Mr. Theodore Cogswell, Mr. Francis F. Miller, Mr. Charles H. Hillegeist, Mr. George L. Lauderdale, Mr. Austin S. Imitrie, Mr. L. T. Baker, Mr. J. Oriskay, Mr. L. E. Atkins, Mr. Thomas S. Mason, Miss Helen M. Nell, Mr. James O'Connor, Roberts, Miss Esther V. Hall, Mr. James P. Pierce, Mrs. Mary E. Kohl, Mrs. Hale M. Emery, Mr. Carter, Mr. Howard F. Breen, Mr. H. Wilson, Mr. Ben L. Fuller, Mr. Richard Seelye Jones, Mr. Paul J. McGahan, Mr. Wiley Fuller, Mr. Earl J. Brown, Mr. Wallace Streeter, Mr. Charles J. Painter, Mr. Edward E. Elsworth, Mr. E. Lyon, Mr. Ernest V. McIntosh, Mr. Robert M. Tolson, Mr. E. T. Hitch, Mr. George F. Cook, Mr. Bernard G. McGee, Mr. Henry M. Jett, Miss Hope Knickerbocker, Mr. Thomas F. Franklin, Mr. John Thomas Taylor, Mr. James Phillips, Mr. John Louis Smith, Mr. Carolyn Herman, Mr. George F. Urmach, Mrs. Amelia Boberg, Mr. B. C. Macneill, Mr. Frank Kelly and Mr. Julius J. Peyster.

Mrs. Gladys Nordling entertained with a family dinner party in the palm room of the Mayflower Hotel last night.

Mrs. Robert Baum is home from the University of Pennsylvania for the Christmas holidays.

Mrs. Alan Kaufman entertained her club at luncheon and bridge at her home in Chevy Chase on Thursday.

Mrs. Sarah Hayes, of the American Red Cross, who has been at the Hamilton Hotel for three weeks, left yesterday to pass the holidays with relatives in Madisonville, Ky.

Mr. John Lucy, a student at George Washington Service School, has gone to his home in Staten Island, N. Y., to pass the Christmas vacation.

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Ensign Jack Lee returned to the Wyoming yesterday after two weeks here with his parents in Chevy Chase.

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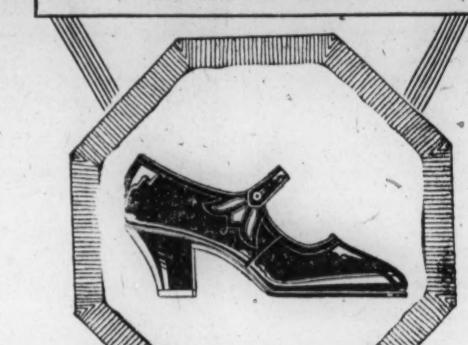
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to spend the vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Blum.

Dr. and Mrs. Charles Shelton entertained at a dinner party Monday evening.

Mr. Robert Zimmerman, of Purdue University at Lafayette, Ind., is spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus M. Zimmerman.

Miss Justine Cory has returned from Wellesley College to pass her Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Thompson.

Mrs. James C. Trowbridge will entertain the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Trowbridge.

Mr. Carl Kadic has returned from the Augusta Military Academy in Virginia to pass the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Kadic.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hawley and their daughter, Miss Eleanor, have returned from a several months trip abroad.

Winchester Stone has returned from Dartmouth College to pass his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Washington Stone.

Miss Josephine Stevens and Miss Mary Grecy, both students of Mount Holyoke Academy, have returned to spend the holidays with Miss Stevens' mother, Mrs. Eugenie Stevens.

Miss Jean Stone has returned from Connecticut College at New London, to spend the vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Stimson, at their home in Raymond street.

Billy Lauck, Jr., has returned from Cornell University to spend Christmas with his mother and father.

Miss Margaret Merrill, of Wellesley College, has returned to pass the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Merrill.

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Miss Jean Edgar Davis and his brother, Mr. Benjamin Franklin Davis, of New York City, are here visiting their sisters for the holidays.

Capt. and Mrs. C. C. Calhoun have gone South to pass the Christmas holidays with their daughter.

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Capt. and Mrs. Henry C. Dinger entertained Monday evening at a small dinner party before the "big masque."

Miss Jean Stone, Mrs. W. J. Trowbridge and Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Trowbridge will entertain at a dance this Thursday evening at the Columbia County Club in honor of her nephew, who is visiting her.

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Society

Payne's brother and sister-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. George U. Larson, of New York. The guests numbered 25. Mr. and Mrs. Larson will remain over the Yule holidays.

Lieut. and Mrs. Franz H. Wirsig, the latter formerly Miss Anna Ridgeley, of Annapolis, have returned from their honeymoon and are back with Mrs. Wirsig's parents, Prof. and Mrs. Reginald H. Ridgeley, until early in January. Commander and Mrs. Alger H. Dresel and their daughter, Miss Marguerite Dresel, student at Hanna Moore Academy, left today for the Yule holidays with Commander Dresel's brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Thaddeus R. Beal, at Poughkeepsie.

Lieut. and Mrs. Jennings Courts entertained at dinner and dancing Saturday night at the Annapolis Roads for Lieut. and Mrs. Henry D. Baggett and Lieut. and Mrs. Hill. Among the many interesting luncheons and dinner parties given last week at the Annapolis Roads Clubhouse was that of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Conradi, who have as their principal guests, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conradi. Even in the many Christmas activities the regular Saturday night dinner dance at the clubhouse will not be given tonight. There was an interesting masquerade party given on Monday night by Mrs. Walker, a member of the Yacht Club. The entertainment with Mrs. William J. Giles, and their guests numbered more than 100. Washington, Baltimore and Annapolis society is planning to do New Year's "a la Broadway" at Annapolis Roads on New Year's Eve. All the roads have been made by club members, who are promised one of the gayest celebrations ever held in this section.

Among the dinner parties at Carvel Hall last Sunday were two of especial interest. Robert W. Wyant, of Philadelphia, of Pennsylvania, with Mrs. Wyant, who is treasurer-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and their daughter, Miss Betty Wyant, were members of one group. Senator John J. Blaine, of Wisconsin, accompanied by several guests, arrived that day in the city and then entertained his friends at dinner at Carvel Hall.

Lieut. Mason E. Mitchell is being detached from the Reina Mercedes and has been assigned to duty at Guantánamo Bay Cuba. Lieut. Leo A. Tetten, of the Heavy Destroyer Division, Charleston, S. C., has arrived to relieve Lieut. Mitchell.

Miss Elizabeth Clalbore, of Memphis, Tenn., is the house guest of Lieut. and Mrs. Mason Mitchell, of Murray Hill. Lieut. and Mrs. Mitchell were associated with each other in China, doing missionary work.

Mrs. F. DuBarry and her daughter, Miss Frances DuBarry, after passing Christmas at 1001 St. Paul street, Baltimore, where they will be joined for the holidays by Mr. Duane D. Dickey, a student at Yale University, will sail next month for Europe. Miss DuBarry passed last week-end here as a guest of Mrs. John Pitcher, of Wardour. Both she and her mother have many friends here.

William Leverton, Jr., will entertain a number of his classmates during the Christmas holidays as his house guests at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph W. Leverton, Washington. Among those who will be their house guests will be Miss Mitchell, Richard, of Atlanta, of Tennessee; George Green, of Arizona; and John Coke, of Mississippi. Midshipman Charles Keene, Jr., will entertain a number of his classmates from the Naval Academy during the midshipman's leave of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keene, 1707 Twentieth street, Washington. Mr. and Mrs. Keene will give a tea tomorrow afternoon from 5 until 7 o'clock for their son and guests.

Clyde G. YOUNG, YOUNG, YOUNG, YOUNG, and Mrs. Daniel E. Eilduff had as their guests over last week-end Lieut. Comdr. and Mrs. H. B. Broadfoot, of Washington. On Wednesday afternoon Mrs. McElduff entertained at a delightful tea at Ogle Hall to introduce Lieut. Comdr. and Mrs. William C. Custer, who have leased that historic house from Mrs. Carlos Cusachs for the winter season.

Mrs. Bowers, wife of Commander John Bowers of the Navy, retired, is issuing invitations for Christmas parties this afternoon and tomorrow, December 27, from 3:30 to 6:30 o'clock.

Commander and Mrs. Theodore W. Johnson entertained at a supper party tonight for their son, Webster, who is a student at St. Paul's School, Mount Washington. The guests numbered twelve young people of Annapolis and



MRS. JAMES E. FECHET.
Army patroness for the Middy-Cadet ball, who is spending Christmas night at the Mayflower.

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daughter, Capt. Marvel H. Parsons, U. S. Army, Mrs. Parsons and their little son, Capt. Henry Parsons.

Cadets of the Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, who are passing the holidays at their homes are Robert S. Cochran, son of Dr. and Mrs. Thomas H. Cochran; Louis Goode, son of Mr. and Mrs. Roland Goode; Sam J. McCrary, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. McCrary, of Seminary Hill, and Eldridge Ferrell, son of Mrs. James Walker.

Miss Courtney Marshall Cochran, of Sweet Briar College, Sweet Briar, Va., is with her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas B. Cochran.

Miss Percy Bass and two children, of Newark, N. J., are with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Blackwell, for the holidays.

Miss Carolyn Fitzhugh Morton has returned from a visit to Miss Dorothy Hanson, at her home in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Miss Jeanette Yates Cochran has returned from a visit to Miss Dorothy Hanson, at her home in New Rochelle, N. Y.

Miss Susan Smoot Thompson has issued cards for a tea on Saturday, December 29, at 5 o'clock, in honor of Miss Harriet Alice Taylor, of Washington.

Miss Courtney Page Walker, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willmer Joyce Walker, has returned from Stuart Hall, Staunton, for the holidays.

Little Miss Mary Brookings entertained a number of her little school mates of St. Agnes School for Girls at a simple holiday party on Christmas day afternoon, at the home of her father, Maj. Walter DuB. Brookings, at Menokin, Seminary Hill.

Among the students of William and Mary College, who are passing the holidays at their homes, are Mrs. Evelyn Pickett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Pickett; Miss Ellen Ticer, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund F.

The Commandant of Midshipman Capt. Charles Philip Snyder and Mrs. Snyder entertained at dinner Friday evening to have the senior members of St. John's College, for students of the college and their parents. Mrs. Gandy, wife of Dr. Francis Barlow Gandy, president of the college, presided at the tea table, assisted by Mrs. Landa, Mrs. Kingsbury, Mrs. Wallis and Mrs. Fitzgerald. About 25 couples were present.

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Mr. and Mrs. Robert South Barrett, of New York, and their son, Barrett's sister, Mrs. Hubbard Smith, of 198 Duke street, will have as their guests at the two homes for the holiday season the following members of their family: Lieut. Paul Barker Barrett, U. S. N., and Mrs. Barrett, who have been at their summer home in New Haven, Conn., and are en route to Panama; Mr. and Mrs. Walter Barrett and little son of Hempstead, Long Island; Miss Viola Barrett, of William and Mary College; Mrs. Smith's daughter, Miss Elizabeth Smith, of McDowell Institute, Queen's University, Ontario, Canada, and her son, Walter Barrett Smith, of William and Mary College; their brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pozer of Lexington, Ky., and their son, Mr. John Barrett, of Wytheville, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett will be at home on Christmas day at 4 o'clock in the afternoon, following their established custom, and the younger set are invited for 5 o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Barrett will have as their guests for the holidays her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John Lloyd Uhler, of Pittsburgh, Pa.; her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Calvert Smoot, 3d, of London, Ontario, Canada, with their children, Misses Rebecca Lillian, Frank Wood, and Katherine Smoot, and Charles Calvert Smoot, 4th, and her son-in-law and

daughter, Miss Elizabeth Swan, daughter of Mrs. William E. Swan; Donald King, son of Mr. and Mrs. William M. King; Miss Edwin Carver, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Carver; Jack Doniphane, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander S. Doniphane; Thornton Goods and Lester McMenamin.

Robert S. Brookings, 2d, entertained Friday night when his guests were friends of Seminary Hill who have returned from the college for the holidays.

The holiday dances of the Belle Haven Country Club will be on December 27 and New Year's night. The Sunday afternoon tea of last week was presided over by Mrs. William J. Booth and Mrs. William B. Lloyd.

A gathering of the members of the Club of Alexandrians that took place in Norfolk yesterday was that of Miss Elizabeth Sampson Cluverius, daughter of Rear Admiral and Mrs. Cluverius, to

her son, Julius West, Aubrey Matler, Harry Schaeffer and Gordon Leary.

Miss Margaret Horn, of Randolph-Macon Woman's College, Lynchburg, and Miss Jean Horn, of St. Hilda's Hall, Charleston, W. Va., were the guests the week-end of Miss Nelle Selden Lloyd members, before going to Bermuda for the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Healy, of Culpeper, are the guests for the holidays of Dr. and Mrs. Julian T. Bowman.

Everett Clark, of Augusta Military Academy, Ft. Dix, Virginia, is passing the holidays with his brothers, Andrew and Frank Clark.

George Hamilton, of the faculty of the Episcopal High School, left on Friday to pass the holiday season at his home in New Haven.

Miss Eleanor Wallace and Master James Wallace, who are passing the winter with their grandparents, James and Mrs. James Sidney Douglas, and

Miss Margaret Rees, of the faculty of the University of Greenwich, Greenwich, Conn., will pass the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller.

Miss Agnes Veech, of Louisville, Ky., Miss Kitty Rees, who is passing the winter in New York City, will also be with her parents.

Miss Charles Elmer Cabell entertained the Thursday Bridge Club, of which she is a member.

Mrs. Frank McCormick, of Frankfort, Kentucky, is the guest for the remainder of the winter of her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Miller Rees.

John Harwood Abraham, who is attending Duke University, Durham, N. C., is passing the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John B. Abraham.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Woodfin, of Baltimore, are the guests of Mrs. Woodfin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roger B. Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Augustine Latane have issued invitations for a dance on December 28, at their home, 311 North Washington street, for their sister, Miss Betty Joyce Graham, and her house guest, Miss Esther Ingelhart.

Mrs. Vogel L. Duguid, of Brooksville, Fla., is the guest for several weeks of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Nulls.

FASHIONS

By VYLLA POE WILSON.

THE relations between the Christmas doll and the fashions is a very definite one this year for the modern child, and incidentally her mother takes great pleasure in lady dolls—dolls dressed as matrons of fashion or as debutantes. Even the little girl dolls must be garbed in clothes which would be approved in fashion circles.

The grown-up little girls who may be real mothers or grandmothers maintain their fondness for dolls throughout the year. Fashion in Christmas gift giving for the last few years has been so advanced that the dolls have advanced a long way, however, from the flapper dolls of a few years ago.

The dolls of the present era of fashion are not eccentric at all, but artistic and beautiful, and dressed with great taste.

It has been said that the American woman is the most luxury-loving in the world. Therefore the boudoir doll, which fits so well into the modern dressing table and pillow-piled couch of many women who live in a simple

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tricot incrusted with Navy and red
and belted by white suede.

J. SUZANNE TALBOT.

Using both sides of black crepe
satin, Talbot makes an afternoon

dress with circular apron at the
sides and back, and a seven-eighths
coat with godet fullness at back.
As in many models this flared line
commences below the hips.

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FASHIONS

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newspapers, and the clothes worn by
the great of the world in the motion
pictures, so the great ladies and those
about them of other periods looked
with careful eyes upon the fashion
trends as indicated by the dolls sent
from Paris or London or other fashion
centers.

The custom of dressing these dolls
in the latest styles is said to have originated in the salons of the
Hotel Rambouillet in Paris, where a
doll called La Grande Pandore was ex-
hibited in full dress of each change
of the mode. In the fourteenth, fif-
teenth, and sixteenth centuries
world capitals of Europe were filled
with dolls made as nearly alike as pos-
sible and dressed after the fashion of
famous beauties and actresses, al-
though, as in the dim, novel age in
which they lived, the young girl pos-
sessed more time and opportunity to be-
hold, but to uphold the beautiful Com-
mandment of the modern women "to
adhere to smartness and suitability in
all their ways."

Men's Fashions Included.

In the sixteenth century the habit
of wearing a small cap and a small
fashion plate and guides for those
who wished to be in the mode also
included costumes and fashions for
men.

In 1764 dolls were made the shape
and size of human beings and laced
at Dover, England, from France,
dressed in the richest materials and
laces. Some of the authorities on the
history of costume declare that this
marked the first use of life-size fig-
ures in stores and windows to display

the finished garments. Even when
England closed her ports in war time
in the sixteenth century to a four-inch high al-
baster doll called the "Grand Courte-
de-la-Mode." In the war of the First
Empire many of the British beauties
expressed their chagrin because "English
fashions were not to be had." According to an authority, "English
women deprived of French aid for a
whole generation began to dress badly."

Early American women who depended
on word from overseas for the latest
fashion dolls were very fond of receiving
these fashion dolls and would often
send their servants to far distant
relatives and friends to let them look at
the dolls and know what the mys-
terious "they" of that day considered
proper to wear.

So, today, American women search
the shops of New York and Paris and
other fashion centers for dolls with
cte and authoritative styles, not only
to deck themselves or their little
girls with crepe and satin, but to uphold
the standard of the modern woman "to
adhere to smartness and suitability in
all their ways."

Emblematic of Christmas

Clothes for the Christmas party are
especially suitable this year, for the
shops are offering gowns and materials
of not only Christmas colors, but
actually printed in holly leaves and
berries and twining evergreen.

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effect. The gown was made with a
square neckline and sleeveless.

Lady Mary Heath, British aviatrix,
wore at one of the evening parties re-
cently a dress of black jetted tulle
made longer in the back than in the front.
With this she wore an evening
jaquette of black and black.

Mrs. Paul Goode, actress, is wearing a
small beige ensemble trimmed with
dark brown krimmer. With this she
wears a small brown hat.

Mrs. Warwick E. Montgomery, Jr.,
had on at Warwick a dress of white
satin with a simple neckline and
sleeveless back and front and a skirt
longer in the back than in the front.

Mrs. Guy Despard Goff has an even-
ing gown of white satin with sides of
American crepe tulle and with hang-
ing sleeves of lace.

Mrs. Goff B. Berman wore at a
luncheon a dress of black satin and
chiffon with which she wore a black
fur coat and a small black hat.

Mrs. Stephen B. Elkins wore one day
for a dinner at Ventnor, N. J., where she
is spending her winter, a dress of
black cloth with cut fringe of black
material and baby lamb coat trimmed
with a sable. She wore a small black
velvet hat.

Mrs. Frances Bennett Poer is wearing
a sport dress of beige silk and wool
material with a coat of a deeper shade
trimmed with fur. She wears a small
beige hat.

Mrs. Lawrence Townsend wore at the
Wednesday luncheon at the Mayflower
a gown of black chiffon made with
pointed uneven skirt and with a long
sleeve with a long bodice with long
sleeves with rhinestone chain forming
the cuff and the lower part of the
full sleeves. Mrs. Townsend wore
a black fur coat and a small
rhinestone ornament at the side.

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on at the musicale a dress of beige
satin, made on simple lines with
a long bodice.

Mrs. Harold Walker wore at one of
the afternoon parties a dress of black
velvet with a long girdle and a
tightly fitted skirt.

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pretty at a luncheon in a dress of navy
blue crepe de chine embroidered in
tiny all-over design which she wore
a small black velvet hat.

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a V neckline back and front and side
draped elongated skirt.

Mrs. Alice Caselli is wearing a
tailored suit. With this she wears a
tailored blouse embroidered with
a sable scarf and small black
feather hat.

Mrs. Wade Ells had on at one of
the luncheons a dress of black trans-
parent velvet with a vestee of lace.
With this she wore a small black hat,
and a cross fox fur.

Mrs. Mabel C. Chapman is wearing a
black coat with fur collar and cuffs.
Mrs. Sanders also has a dress of bright
green chiffon embroidered in crystals.

Miss Phyllis Hight had on at one
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hat.

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Mrs. James Crawford has a green
crepe de chine dress with which she
wears a green cloth coat lined with
crystal beads of generous size; the
dangling shoulder pin to match, or
better still, pendant earrings.

blue brocade, made with a flaring skirt
gray fur and a small green hat to
match. Mrs. Crawford is also wearing
an afternoon gown of black transparent
velvet and gold lace and small close
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Holiday Fashions in Washington

Holiday fashions in Washington demand
at least one handsome afternoon
gown of a semiformal nature. The
woman with discriminating taste who
can have only one of these costumes
votes without hesitation for dark rich
velvet or satin, or a chiffon or
translucent velvet.

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a green ensemble costume trimmed in
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ART

CORCORAN ART GALLERY HAS CHASE EXHIBIT

By ADA RAINY.

The holiday season in art was ushered in at the Corcoran Gallery yesterday when a group of paintings was placed on view in the upper hall. The paintings are by Susan B. Chase and are in transparent water color and in gouache. They are the result of a summer's work in Portugal and are as unusual in quality as is the subject.

Mrs. Chase, who is the secretary of the Washington Water Color Club, which is holding its annual exhibition at the Corcoran on January 6, went to Portugal with the sketching class of the American Museum of Art. She stayed in Lisbon and went immediately to Coimbra where they made most of their sketches. They were delighted with the quaintness and charm of the little town, which is about an hour's run from Lisbon. She up in the mountains and in catching the brilliant sunlight and the vibration of color of the southern town in her water colors. She has caught the unique quality of the place and has added a youthful touch, brilliant and gay, to the traditional best work that Mrs. Chase has produced, and she has gone ahead with her art by leaps and bounds. She has the modern touch of vitality and the robustness of the best of the traditional school.

In short, she gives a vivid and vital impression of Picturesque and interesting scenes.

There are a number of large water colors, street scenes and characteristic buildings that stand out from others. Of these "The Square of Coimbra," "The Streets of Cintra," "Military Alley, Cintra," "St. Martin's" and "The Palace of Queen Maria Pia" are among the most important. The color in these paintings is rich and harmonious, the light playing on the surfaces of old buildings is striking and brilliant.

Then there are some landscapes more informal, but which have the vital touch nevertheless. "Among the Pines of Portugal" and "Just Trees" are delightful. There is something the holiday spirit in these water colors, but I think they have in them nothing of the subject matter of the season. They will be on view until January 6.

Yorke Gallery Exhibition.

At the Yorke Gallery beginning tomorrow there will be placed on exhibition a number of great masterpieces that are well known in the art world, which includes such men as Arthur B. Davies, Childe Hassam, Gifford Beale, Charles E. Prendergast, Maurice Brown, Gordon Grant, Robert Hopper, Willard Leroy Metcalf and Elizabeth Metcalf.

Among these is a portrait of the late Mrs. Kress, who has exhibited the last exhibited three paintings in the recent biennial exhibition at the Corcoran.

One of his paintings was bought by the Corcoran Gallery, a landscape of the hills of Italy. Interest will be further increased when it is brought to mind that the artist, brought to the death of this brilliant artist in northern Italy, where he had been living for two years. Davies was one of the most important American artists who has recently come into increasing prominence and his paintings have become as much as an understanding of his work has been brought about. For years he was not understood and was rather scoffed at because his works were not of the representative and photographic school, but could not be ignored. But his was the choice and rare art which has in it a true poetic quality. He lived in a world of dreams, which was to him the real world and he people'd his world with lovely forms that were allegorical and commanding. There are numbers of his paintings in the Phillips Memorial Gallery. Mr. Phillips has written a monograph on Davies' paintings.

Childe Hassam, also a well-known man, is represented in the present group by two of his most recent, most recent scenes. One is called "The Fourth of July," Gifford Beale is showing "Docks at Rockport"; Gordon Grant, the "Frisco Tug"; Robert Hopper, "Ponte Vecchio"; and Elizabeth Metcalf, who has a strong decorative quality in his paintings, "Quimper," which is a street scene.

There are also a number of etchings, including works by Alfred Huyck and George Taylor Arms. The exhibition will be on view until January 5.

At Arts Club.

At the Arts Club, beginning this afternoon, there will be an exhibition by the commercial artists in the city, including those of The Post.

To this group will be added three or four landscape artists, who show scenes of their art in plaster and the drawings of their gardens. This should be stimulating to those who are interested in planting gardens; and who does not want to have a garden these days when the country is so active? The work of John Small, Horace Peaseley, Rose Gandy and Marion Eaton will be represented.

The commercial illustrators will be represented by Charles A. R. Dunn, of the Nation's Business, who assembled the exhibits; Felix Mahoney, Margarette B. Neale, Rochan Hoover and staff.

Clifford K. Berryman will have several original cartoons, while John A. Curtis, Newman S. Suduth, James T. Berryman, and Edward S. Edwards will show pen-and-ink and water drawings.

Louis Janot, J. D. Irwin and Iris Johnson, of The Post, will show water colors, black and white wash drawings and pen and ink drawings which have appeared in The Post and in the Advertising section of the Post.

The exhibition is the outcome of the activity of the chairman, Anne Abbott, who has a large number of original and interesting ideas which add zest and charm to the current exhibitions at the Arts Club. The exhibitions at the club this year have been unusual, vital and "different."

A number of sales were made of the etchings at the past exhibition of the Arts Club, including those of Alfred Huyck and George Taylor Arms.

This afternoon Felix Mahoney and Miss Aline Solomans will be hosts for the opening of the exhibition at the Arts Club, which will take on the festival air of the season.

Preparing for Ball.

The Abbott School of Fine and Commercial Art is doing all the professional work for the costumes for the Ball Boheme, which is to be Egyptian in design. The students are also busy making designs for the poster competition for the ball which has been announced by the Arts Club. The competition is open to all artists and art students in the city.

Henry Turner Bailey gave a lecture at the Central High School on Thursday evening for the Central Community Council on "How to Paint Out of It." The lecture was well attended and the audience showed interest and appreciation of his talk. Mr. Bailey said that what one got from pictures was conditioned on what one took to them. The picture, he said, was the most essential point on what to look for, for instance, converging lines, what is the most important thing in the painting, and most important of all, what is the mood of the painter. It is this important element of mood that is the main thing in the modern painting, or



"A Tunisian Court," by Frank Townsend Hutchens, on exhibition at the Yorke Gallery.

rather in the paintings that have been painted during the last 50 years. It is the subjective element, the mood of the painting that is important and interesting. How the artist is able to convey his feeling or mood to the spectator is what one should seek first of all.

The lecture was illustrated by lantern slides of well-known paintings. The different slides showed how the artist's style is reflected in his work.

"Indeed the women will largely determine at the counters of the department stores and other retail shops exactly where this development is to lead and how fine a contribution it will make to the evolution of art," he explains in a current magazine.

It is a "natural progression" which Mrs. Bailey sees. "Through the economies of mass production and distribution we have the capacity to put art on the democratic basis where it belongs. And adding in this tendency are the changes in the business of the department stores and other retail shops, exactly where this development is to lead and how fine a contribution it will make to the evolution of art," he explains in a current magazine.

Washington is to be congratulated that a special building is to be built adjacent the Library of Congress to house the collection of Shakespeare folios, the collection and the gift to the American people of H. C. Folger. This action will discredit the contention recently in England that the acquiring of literary treasures by rich Americans means "their relegation to oblivion." On the contrary, it is to be hoped that it will be the official of the Library of Congress not only to carefully preserve such literary collections but to exhibit them to the people as fully as possible.

That this policy is appreciated is shown by the fact that the American Folger, a million persons yearly, visit the marble shrine on the main floor of the Library of Congress, where are displayed the original Declaration of Independence and the Constitution of the United States.

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LEAGUE OF WOMEN AID TO DEFENDERS

Club Supported in Capital for
Soldiers, Sailors and
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DATES FROM CIVIL WAR

To clear up somewhat general confusion regarding the scope of activities of the four service organizations—the Navy League, the Navy Relief, the Army Relief and the Woman's Army and Navy League—the last named yesterday issued an announcement of its purposes and aims.

The Woman's Army and Navy League, the announcement says, promotes the general welfare and renders financial and other assistance to soldiers, sailors and marines of the United States and their families.

It was reported during the Civil War, by a few patriotic women, who, realizing the limitations of soldiers at far away posts, organized themselves into a small society to create an atmosphere of contentment and happiness, to shorten the lonely days of barracks and to relieve the boredom of distant stations. Indeed, the suttler's store was then the only resort of soldiers.

These women, then, as they do now, cooperated with the commanding officers and the chaplains, cheffing and cooking the men's meals and washing and mending their laundry. And, as our industrial life changed, the Woman's Army and Navy League grew with the times, adding graphophones and records to their cheer for soldiers, and records to their cheer for soldiers.

Magazines, writing materials and games were added to the amusements, and with vision, a Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Club became an especial activity of the league. Located at 1015 11th street northeast, this is the only club of its kind in the city.

Here the men of the service find a comfortable and attractive home during their stay in the Capital; in fact, in addition to transients, there is a limited number of permanent boarders.

The club is equipped with comfortable reading and writing rooms, well-kept bedroom and dining rooms—one dying marine even willing his last pay roll to endow a room in the club, in token of his appreciation of past kindness.

Control and management of the affairs, funds and real and personal property of the corporation is vested in a board of managers, consisting of the president, four vice presidents, the secretary, assistant secretary, treasurer and ten members. At the present time, Mrs. Alfred E. Braden takes the place of the resigning president, Mrs. Alexander Sharp, until the next annual election.

Mrs. Louis Klinefelter and Mrs. Edward J. Don, representing the Navy; Henry T. Allen and Mrs. St. John Greble, representing the Army, are the four vice presidents. Miss Emma Nourse has been secretary for fourteen years. She has an assistant, Miss Katharine Rawson, daughter of the late Prof. Rawson, of the Navy. Mr. Ormond M. Lissak is treasurer, assisted until recently by Mrs. C. C. Smith, now Mrs. N. C. Barney.

The other members of the board of managers are Mrs. Emerson H. Liscum, chairman; Mrs. William C. Carter, Mrs. George W. McLean, Mrs. Richard LaGarde, Mrs. Henry T. Allen, Mrs. Theodore Jewell, Mrs. E. H. Campbell, Mrs. Arthur Willard, Mrs. Frank B. Freyer and Mrs. Richard Cutts.

The financial committee is headed by Mrs. Henry T. Allen, assisted by Mrs. Richard Cutts and Mrs. Edwin St. John Greble, vigorously promotes—and most notably—the various entertainments by which money is raised for liquidating the mortgage on the clubhouse. Mrs. Charles P. Sumner, chairman of membership, and Mrs. Charles F. Hughes is in charge of books and magazines. Mrs. J. C. Kelton has charge of the telegraphic code.

Last winter Mrs. G. E. McFer took the place of Mrs. Ward S. Kellogg as chairman of the club. She was her assistants, Mrs. Meadane D. G. Gouraud, Courtney Landon, I. E. Backstrom, A. D. Shoup, Riley McConnell, J. H. Shafroth, and the club manager, Sergt. Marion Stoen.

When the various prospective entertainments are given for the purpose of raising funds for a continuance of league work, the committees in charge hope and believe that a generous response will come from the community at large.

Engineers Qualify As Second Lieutenants

The following enlisted men of the 21st Engineers, District of Columbia National Guard, have qualified in competitive examination for commissions as second lieutenants of engineers, and have been placed on the eligible list of appointees.

Successful candidates and their general averages are: Sergt. Cooper B. Rhodes, Headquarters, and Service Company, 89.78; Sergt. Albert J. Kubelidis, Company A, 89.52; Corp. Samuel W. Marsh, Headquarters and Service Company, 84.48; Private First Class Anderson, Company C, 82.22; Private David W. Milne, Company E, 78.82; Sergt. Jack Furell, Company F, 76.59; Staff Sergt. B. Hall, Company D, 76.28; Corporal George Danforth, Headquarters and Service Company, 76.52; 2nd Lieut. William A. Gonyea, Twenty-ninth Military Police Company, also qualified with a general average of 74.48 per cent.

Army Terminology Clarified by Order

Use of "Bureau" Restricted to Militia and Insular Affairs.

To clarify confusing designations of subdivisions of the Army and War Department, a general order has been issued that the nomenclature of "bureau" and "militia" will be discontinued. The "arms" are the cavalry, infantry and field artillery and cavalry, artillery, air, engineers and signal corps. The "services" are the adjutant general's, judge advocate general's, finance, medical and supply departments, the quartermasters' and chaplains' corps, and the medical warfare service.

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The "FREE" Educational Bureau of the Washington Post will be glad to supply you with booklets and other information on Schools and Colleges in the District of Columbia.

ACTIVITIES OF CAPITAL VETERANS

VETERANS OF FOREIGN WARS.

The meetings of National Capital, Federal and Front Line Posts, scheduled for this week, have been called off, due to the holiday season. There will be a meeting of T. N. T. Tent, of the Cooties, at Woodmen's Hall on Friday evening, at which time the new officers for the coming year will be selected. A snappy vaudeville program and refreshments will follow the meeting and all Cooties and prospective Cooties are urged to be present.

Front Line Post, No. 1401, having outgrown its old meeting place, will hereafter meet in the Soldiers, Sailors and Marines Club, Eleventh and L streets northwest on the second and fourth Mondays of each month.

Front Line Auxiliary will meet at the same place on the same evenings and, after the business meetings of the two organizations, a social gathering will follow each meeting.

Front Line Post is receiving applications from prospective members of the V. F. W. Drum and Bugle Corps. Members of other corps are invited to join them, as they are not already bound to other active drum and bugle units that would turn out at the same time as the new V. F. W. organization.

Applications for membership in the new Drum and Bugle Corps should be forwarded to Front Line Post, V. F. W. Room 303, 508 Fourteenth street northwest.

National Capital Post.

National Capital Post, 127, Veterans of Foreign Wars, will be the guest of the 12th Annual Meeting of the V. F. W. Department of Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Pennsylvania.

The posts where the members of the District will be gathered.

The posts have responded generously to the appeal of Commander in Chief Eugene Carve for toys, &c., for the children at the National Home of the V. F. W. at Eaton Rapids, Mich. Every post and unit in the department has contributed to this good cause and it is an assured fact that the little orphan wards of this organization will know that there is a Santa Claus.

While in Washington recently Mrs. Beatrice H. Hause, president of the national president of the Ladies' Auxiliaries of the V. F. W., made the declaration that the auxiliaries will be invited to the National Home with a hospital building by the end of this year, and to that the home got a school building.

There is little doubt in the minds of the local posts that both of these much needed institutions will shortly be at the home for the organization as a whole.

The post received notice through the D. C. department that a constitution convention will be held May 18, at Frank Lockhead, department commander, to be held Thursday evening, at Pythian Temple, 1210 Ninth street northwest.

Commanders R. C. Muschitz, the newly elected post commander, Oscar W. Hollingsworth, will be present to receive the new post and Comdr. A. Becknap as a national aid de camp on the staff of national headquarters.

The following recruits were mustered in as active members: Charles F. Burkhardt, Company E, Forty-first United States Infantry, Capt. G. O. Strobel, Adjutant, First

Regiment, Virginian Volunteers, Infantry, and James J. McTernan, Twelfth United States Infantry, Clarence L. Putnam, Battery E, Third United States Artillery, was elected to member of the guard, Robert Culin, trustee, George V. McAlpin, The officers will be installed at the January 11 meeting of the department.

The garrison adopted a resolution presented by Past National Commander O. Howard, which it was reported that there was a shortage of beds in the veteran hospitals throughout the United States, and in view of the impending epidemic of influenza of the commandant of the Army and the surgeon general, the commandant will be present to the garrison by William F. Franklin.

Officers were elected as follows: Comdr. Col. William N. McKey, senior vice commander, Altus G. Moore, junior vice commander, William S. Wetherby, paymaster, Robert J. Graef, chaplain, the Rev. Francis A. Walsh, council of administration, Maj. Charles W. Freeman, Capt. G. T. Judd and Charles F. L. Lamb.

Lawson Camps.

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MUSIC AND MUSICIANS

By ELISABETH E. POE.

"A LLIGUA" is the keynote of church and choral music for Yuletide. From choirs to radio dial and street singers comes the same musical message of "Peace on earth, good will to men." Christmas music has been the source of inspiration to the world's greatest composers and the traditional hymns of the day reflect the interest taken by music masters of all ages.

The feast of Christmas cards and hymns is a rich one, indeed. From "Shepherds Glad Tidings" with its legendary background to the cards cherished by the Jewish people to "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing," with its measures the work of the great Mendelssohn, to Bishop Phillips Brooks' immortal "O Little Town of Bethlehem," the song is ever the same—that of the wonderous event which took place in Judea nine hundred and nine years ago.

Christmas carols also are rich in tradition. From year to year one notes a rise in popularity for certain carols, often remains of interest in them, and the past two Christmases, "The First Noel," in its traditional melody has become most familiar. Yet many are true to the standard carols endeared by generations of use, such as "We Three Kings of Orient Are," "Silent Night, Holy Night" and "When Christ Was Born of Mary Free," with its quaint words.

Washingtonians privileged to hear "America," the new symphony written by Ernest Bloch, director of the San Francisco Conservatory of Music, dedicated to Abraham Lincoln and Walt Whitman, played at its premiere by the New York Philharmonic Orchestra with Walter Damrosch conducting on Thursday, had much to say in its praise. "America" won a \$3,000 prize last summer in a contest sponsored by Musical America.

It is a "sort of musical history lesson" in that it according to one observer, and embodies in its score many of the songs beloved of the American people, such as "The Battle Cry of Freedom." A Chippewa song furnishes one of the themes, the hymn "Old Tyme Religion" another.

Washington probably will not hear the new symphony until next year.

A unique program was given in the Chamber Music Auditorium of the Library of Congress on Thursday, when a composition of W. A. Mozart and Gabriel Faure were presented. In the Mozart sonata for violin and piano in C it was interesting to note that Mrs. Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge, donor of the room, in the music auditorium, was at the piano, while William Kroll was the violinist.

More and more these concerts given at the Library of Congress under the Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge are of distinction and growing interest for their sound qualities of musicianship and the high ideals sustained by those in charge of their presentation. The only drawback is that the auditorium itself is so small that many music lovers who would like to attend are denied the opportunity, although this difficulty is met somewhat by broadcasting most of the concerts over the radio, thus permitting thousands of unseen listeners to enjoy these musical treats as well.

The Christmastide music assemblies in the public schools have been in full swing for the last two weeks, directed by Dr. Edwin N. C. Barnes and Mrs. Lillian G. Brossard, with Misses Edith A. Atthey, Alice Grant and S. Alice Hutton as accompanists.

There have been assemblies at all the high and junior high schools, and in about 65 grade schools, the groups ranging in size from 100 to 1,800 pupils. A feature has been the use of songs in the place of books and song sheets. This is a screen age, and the song slide assembly is a thing of joy to the pupil and teacher alike.

Another Yuletide joy to the junior high pupils has been the music under-standing lectures of Mrs. Alice Newcomer on "The Great Christmas Music of the Nations." These have been profusely illustrated with fine recordings of great choruses and symphonic offerings.

Propos of the recent local interest in American composition, it is worthy of note that the Interhigh School Festival Chorus of 300, with one chorus unit in each high school, preparing under the direction of Dr. Edwin N. Barnes, Barnes' new and dramatic cantata, "The Father of Waters," for presentation at the school music festival, April 19 and 20, in the McKinley High School auditorium.

Eva Whitford Lovette, mezzo soprano and pianist, will give a Christmas recital at her studio, 1731 Connecticut avenue, Wednesday evening. There will be a program of carols and choruses by the Lovette Chorus. A small group of soloists will be presented. Assisting will be Mrs. Lula Wood Volland, president, and the members of the board of governors of the choral club.

The Women's City Club Chorus will give its annual program of Christmas carols for the club and friends this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock. A feature will be a melody from the twelfth century which will be the solo part to be followed by the choir of the choir of Keller Memorial Lutheran Church as the chorus hums the accompaniment. Virginia Belt, Catherine Donch, Kathleen Birnstein and Virginia Wood are the children on this program.

A new feature will be a French carol arranged for the W. C. C. by the director, Gertrude Lyons. The program, which will include well-known traditional carols, includes "Silent Night, Holy Night," German folk song; "Draw Nigh, Emmanuel," old French, words of the 12th century, Latin Breviary; "The First Noel," traditional; "Lo, How a Rose e'er Blooming" (a capella), M. Praetorius, 1571-1621; "Le Sonnelli de l'Enfant Jesus" (a capella), A. G. Gross, 1828-1908, arranged by Gertrude Lyons; the voices, the solo part sung by Marjorie de La Mater; "A Mighty Saviour"; Christiansen, four children to sing the solo part, the chorus will hum the accompaniment (a capella); Eleanor Mayne will sing "The Virgin's Lullaby" from the "Coming of the King," by Dudley Buck.

"The Cradle Hymn" will be hummed a capella by the chorus, while the alto sing the melody. Martin Luther, 1483-1546, "It Came Upon the World" (a capella); "Silent Night, Peaceful Night" (a capella), Barnby Nevin, "O Holy Night," Adam; "While Shepherds Watched," Handel, 1685-1759. Mary Izant Couch will play the piano accompaniment.

Dr. Edwin N. C. Barnes, director of music in the Washington public schools and dean of education at Washington College of Music, has been invited by Dr. J. B. Kwakwassar, well-known music measurement specialist and professor of music education at Syracuse University, to give a week of lectures at the university summer school.

Mr. Robert Forsman, the distinguished author of the Forsman Books of which he lectured recently, will probably take Dr. Barnes' place next week at the Belfast, Mass. session of the Washington College of Music's Summer School of Education, which opens for its third annual six-week session on July 9.

A musical entertainment for the old people and friends will be given today at 3 p.m. at the Christian and Eleona Ruppert Home on Good Hope road.

The following artists will take part: Captain Thea G. and Mrs. Markson; Mrs. Kathie A. Pozoska, contralto, assisted by Miss Grace Stevens; Miss Olga Krumke, alto, accompanied

by Miss Doris Schutz; Mrs. Charles Donch, mezzo-soprano, with Charles Donch at the piano; Mrs. Edwenea Zurhorst, soprano, and Albert Rohrer, baritone, who will accompany himself on the zither. Ehrenfried Eichel will play piano selections.

What is a distinct innovation for Washington is will take place on New Year's Eve with the New Year's Club, with the W. C. C. as a guest. The great Washington University will be the guests of the Mayflower Hotel. From time to time the spotlight in the grand ballrooms will swing around to the corner where the club will be seated, and the boys will sing. Not only the men but the coeds accompanying them will have the opportunity to appear.

The Lovette Choral Club of Washington, under the auspices of the District of Columbia Federated Music Association, will give a program of choruses, solos and recitations at the Tubercler Hospital on Wednesday. The soloists were Eva Lynn Fast, coloratura soprano; Lorena Stockton Gowler, lyric soprano; Nellie Barber Brooks, mezzo soprano; Hattie Noel, reader, and Mary Scott, organist.

The Champlain Glee Club, Esther Linkins, director, and Gertrude Waiters, accompanist, together with Helen Bell, violinist, will present a program of solos at a tea to be given at the Grace Dodge Hotel this afternoon from 5 to 8 o'clock.

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Washington probably will not hear the new symphony until next year.

A unique program was given in the Chamber Music Auditorium of the Library of Congress on Thursday, when a composition of W. A. Mozart and Gabriel Faure were presented. In the Mozart sonata for violin and piano in C it was interesting to note that Mrs. Elizabeth Sprague Coolidge, donor of the room, in the music auditorium, was at the piano, while William Kroll was the violinist.

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OF TITLE COMPANIES

James J. Becker Lectures Be-
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of Y. M. C. A.

PURCHASER IS PROTECTED

The origin and development of modern title companies was outlined at the weekly real estate class at the Y. M. C. A., last Monday night by James J. Becker, president of the Real Estate and Columbia Title Insurance Co., who stated in the early days of the country, little attention was given to title in the purchase of real estate.

Ordinarily, the purchaser was fully satisfied with what he was pleased to call a "warranted" deed, and possession by the vendor was usually sufficient guarantee of ownership, he said. No inquiry was made into the past, and no thought was taken as to the future. But as land values increased, purchasers began to part more cautiously with their money, and only those purchases began to part more cautiously with their money, and only those

Purchasers of land make their purchases at their own peril and it is vitally important that they have knowledge of everything that may affect the title to the land, of which the charges, fees, and costs of a constructive notice, Mr. Becker said. Modern title companies filled this need by the issuance of formal title papers certifying to the condition of title as it appears from an examination of the title papers, most commonly used and known as a title certificate, protects the purchaser from any defects that may appear of record and not reported in the certificate of title.

Insurance Against Defect.

It was pointed out by Becker that there were certain things which were not covered by the title papers of record, such as incompetency to execute a deed due to lunacy or infancy, and forgery and adverse position. These defects in title, while not a matter of record, are covered in another form of certificate known as a title policy which is issued by title companies.

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Any deed conveying real property in this District, executed, acknowledged and certified as required by law, and delivered to the person in whose favor the same is executed, takes effect from the date of delivery, and is valid against creditors and subsequent bona fide purchasers, and mortgages without notice of said deed, and others interested in said property, it only takes effect from the time of delivery to the Recorder of deeds for record.

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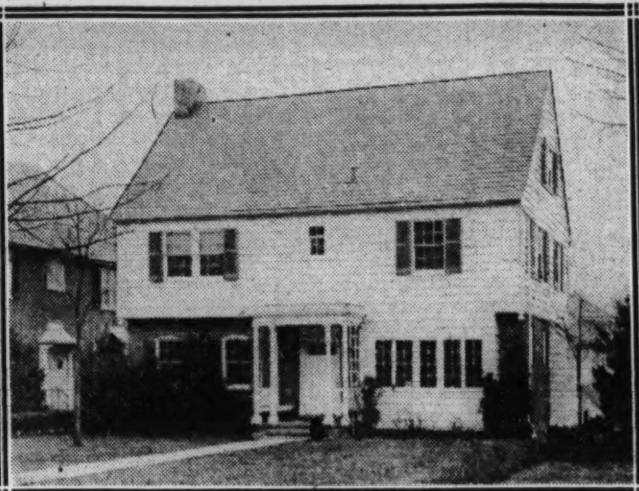
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NEW HOME FOR COMMANDER



Colonial brick and frame dwelling, 2707 Thirty-fourth place, Massachusetts Avenue Park, containing ten rooms and three baths, with two-car garage, sold to Mrs. Elizabeth S. Huchescher for Commander Webb Hayes 2d, by Boss & Phelps.

NEW WOMEN'S HOTEL
WILL COST \$850,000

Eight-Story Structure Will Be Located Near the Union Station.

MRS. HAWKINS PRESIDENT

An eight-story hotel, designed primarily for women employed here is projected for the site at 11-19 E street northwest, opposite the Grace Dodge Hotel, and near the Union Station Plaza. It was announced yesterday by the District Investment Co., which is handling the development.

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Offices Made Gay
For Christmas Party

In keeping with an annual custom established a number of years ago, the annual Christmas party for the Thomas E. Jarrell Co. organization was held yesterday at their offices, 721 Tenth street northwest.

A large electrically lighted tree was placed in the center of the main offices, and presents were distributed by Thomas Jarrell, president, to every employee.

Christmas decorations were carried throughout the departments of the organization, even to a miniature trimmed tree in the private office of Mr. Jarrell.

Five Porter Street
Houses on Market

A group of five homes, each of distinctive architecture, have just been completed by the N. L. Sanborn Co. and placed on the market. They are in the 3500 block of Porter street, North Cleveland Park.

All the houses are of the detached type, constructed of brick and two stories and contain eight rooms and two baths, with garage. The lots are 150 feet deep. Best of building materials have been used throughout. The houses are situated on one of the highest points in the Northwest.

Charles H. Sanford, of the W. T. Grant Co., New York, which operates a chain of 25 "50-cent" stores will address the division on some mistakes which brokers make in presenting locations for chain stores.

Mark Lewis of Chicago, chairman-elect of the division for 1929, will talk on "How Real Estate Brokers Can Best Meet the Needs of Their Business." Frank L. McNamara, of Dallas, Tex., chairman of the division for 1928, will speak on the work accomplished during the past year. In addition to the standard forms already adopted by the brokers division, proposed new forms will come before this group.

OLD HOME MADE NEW
BY VENEER OF BRICK

Pleasure and Increased Comfort Achieved in Remodeling House.

SIMPLE RULES LAID DOWN

By LOUISE BARGELT.

One of the first questions to be considered in the modernizing of an old house is the betterment of the exterior. Not every house is worth the money necessary to bring it up to first class shape. But where a house is structurally sound and the alterations do not require tearing out more than one-third of the interior, it is safe to assume that by remodeling the owner will not only achieve pleasure and increased comfort for himself and family but profit financially from the added monetary value of the house.

Considering the exterior, in the case of the house shown today, we see before the modernizing was accomplished, an extremely plain, old-fashioned home.

A new roof has been substituted for the old one, with smartly sweeping lines, the frame exterior has been given a veneering of face brick, stone steps and platform have replaced the old ones, the second story bay has been removed and double hung windows substituted.

The result surely compares favorably with most new houses built new on the foundations up.

By veneering with brick, paint and repair bills have been reduced to a minimum, the house has been given added warmth, and unquestionably added beauty and longevity.

In veneering with brick the first thing to be considered is the selection of the brick.

Many Types of Brick.

One of the many methods of skinting common brick, how so much the vogue, may be applied to the old house or one can choose from various soft and effective shades of even brick.

To veneer an old house with brick it is necessary to have a support of some kind at the ground level, upon which the brick may be started. It may be that occasionally the existing foundation is the native rock, or it projects the earth beyond the frame of the house to give the necessary base. In most cases the foundation and the wall above are in line. A footing must be placed in the ground outside the existing foundation wall. For this a trench should be dug 6 to 8 inches wide, the width of the average spade, and should always be carried to a depth below the frost line and to good solid soil.

A Concrete Footing.

The footing should be of an average concrete mix in the proportion of one part cement, three parts sand and six parts crushed stone or gravel. As the concrete fills the trench completely a form is necessary except in the case of a sandy or shifting soil, where a form would have to be set for the outer face. The top should extend a couple of inches above the ground and be finished level with a straight, smooth outer edge. Where porches occur the brickwork on the house starts at the porch floor on an angle support.

The brickwork is now started on the space provided. It should be set so as to leave a inch space between the face of the brick and the siding, shingle or stucco, which is not to be removed.

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NATIONAL COLLEGE COURSES TO START

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SOCIETIES PLAN PARTIES

Examinations in all departments of National University were completed last night and registration is now going on for the term beginning Wednesday, January 5. Subjects are scheduled that new students are being accepted at this time of the year.

In the School of Economics and Government a number of new courses will be offered among them one on

Government, a course on the faculty of Yale University, on Roman civilization and its survival in the modern world. This is a course of twelve complete lectures and includes government, law, philosophy, religion, literature, the fine arts, manners and customs.

W. H. S. Stevens will give a new course on corporation finance and F. P. H. Siddons two new courses one on money and credit and the other on business forecasting.

Other new courses will be open to newly registered students, among these on comparative government by Dr. George B. Woods, dean of the school, and Mrs. Woods, as has been their annual custom, will entertain at a Christmas dinner at their home.

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American U. Athletic Field Is Now Under Consideration

Project Will Be Cut Out of Sloping Ground on Campus.
Christmas Festivities Held—Students Honor
Dean Woods of the College.

Work already is under way for the new athletic field at American University. The field will be cut out of sloping ground in a large triangle of Middle States and Maryland, as a "standard" college.

The resolution declared Dr. Woods above all others deserves the credit for bringing the official resolution continuing the institution aid to Dean Woods "we feel that our gratitude is due because of his prolonged and tireless struggle to set up and maintain the standards which have earned for American University the unprecedented honor of being accredited by this important board before the seventh semester in the history of the college has been completed."

The student body was excited, but not much surprised by announcement Wednesday night of the engagement of Robert E. Woods, son of Dr. George B. Woods, dean of the school, and Mrs. Woods, as has been their annual custom, will entertain at a Christmas dinner at their home.

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HOLIDAYS STARTED AT GEORGETOWN U.

Many Professors Will Leave
Capital During Period;
Nevis Stays Here.

PRIZE DEBATE JANUARY 16

JUNIOR BANQUET FEB. 2

STAUFFER TO GIVE PATENT LAW COURSE

Lectures at Washington Col-
lege Will Begin First Week
in February.

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Christmas holidays at Georgetown University began Wednesday for students of the depart of arts and sciences of the department of arts and sciences and Friday for those in the professional schools. Classes will resume at the college January 7, and January 9. The school year will be divided into two semesters, each of which will consist of two months.

While many of the Hilltop students are leaving the city during the vacation period, President W. Cole Nevis, Dr. R. E. F. B. Woods, and Dr. J. E. Nease, president of the midyear examination of the Bulgarian people. While Dr. Kolouhjoff's article is published in the Bulgarian language, an elaborate summary in French is also given in the same review.

Law Review Out.

The first number of the current volume of the National University Law Review is out. The present volume contains articles of importance to the student of history, as well as of law. The first is an article by Dean Charles F. Carusi and Dr. C. D. Kolouhjoff on "The First Armed Neutrality." There is an article by the late Albert H. Putney on "What is the Common Law," discussing the subject from various points of view.

Several fraternities are planning parties during the Christmas vacation, especially for students remaining in the city, notably the Joseph H. Choate Chapter of Sigma Nu Phi, which will have its annual gathering and dance at its chapter house.

On Saturday a regular meeting of the board of trustees will be held at the office of the chancellor of the university.

Chinese Bus. U. Planes.

Kansas City (A.P.)—The first of a order of twelve airplanes manufactured in Kansas City is on its way to Hankow, China. The plane was consigned to a motor car distributor, firm which is to receive a special distributor for the American Eagle Aircraft Co. It is a three-place biplane with a 100 horse-power, air-cooled, radial engine.

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UNIFIED IN BUSINESS

Four Publications of Students
Are Placed Under One
Management.

PROFESSORS GO VISITING

Coordination of all George Washington University student publications under unified business management was voted at the meeting of the publications council of the university Thursday. Under the plan, the four publications, The University Hatchet, student weekly; The Ghost, student magazine; The Wig, literary magazine, and The Cherry Tree, the annual, will be operated as a unit, so as to business matters are concerned, a system of joint advertising and subscription rates being adopted.

The business consolidation is expected to strengthen all the publications by eliminating competition among them, and to contribute to a well-rounded publications program under which each shall work for the good of all. But the publications council of the university will work in close cooperation, the general business manager of publications acting as facilitating agent.

The publications council, which voted this step, is composed of three representatives from each of the publications, one from the business manager, and one other representative elected by the board. Representatives of the University Hatchet on the publications council are: Herman Angel, chairman of the board; Frank Angel, treasurer; and Alice Green, chairman of The Ghost; William Brawner, chairman of the board; William Dove Thompson, business manager, and Emily Plunkett; of The Colonial Wig; Wanda Webb, chairman of the board; and Miriam DeHesse, business manager, and Miriam DeHesse, of The Cherry Tree. Elbert Huber, chairman of the board; Allan Neil business manager, and Dorothy Ruth, Members of Committee.

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BONDS MOVE AHEAD AFTER WEAK SPELL

Trading Generally Remains
Dull—Coppers Again Are
Leaders.

FOREIGN MORE ACTIVE

New York, Dec. 22 (A.P.)—Prices firmed up a bit after early weakness in the bond market today, buying apparently being in sympathy with the advance in stock prices. Trading was dull and light, total sales being slightly less than \$4,000,000.

Coppers again were in the lead, Andes 7s rising 4 points and Andes 7s 2 points. Barnsells 6s were bought at fractionally higher levels in contrast to declines in most other oils, especially Transcontinental Oil 6 1/2s, which yielded a point. Small gains were registered by Westinghouse 5s, Loew's 6s, International Cement 5s, Bush Terminal Buildings 5s and others.

There was some profit taking, causing declines in Imperial Iron & Steel 5s, Aspinall 6s, Certainteed 5 1/2s, Kayser & Co. 5 1/2s and Youngstown Sheet & Tube 5s.

Profit taking was felt also in the utility group, where International Telephone & Tel. rose 4 1/2 points, 4 1/2s, which had a fairly steady rising trend during the week, slumped more than 2 points. Ohio Public Service 7s yielded more than 2 points. Public Service of New Jersey 4 1/2s, however, gained a point.

The foreign list was a bit more active. Fiat 7s with warrants extended their gains another 5 points and then developed fairly heavy buying of Irish Free State 5s and Bolivian Government 8s.

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THE WORLD'S GREATEST DAY, A GOOD BOOK AND A PANNING

By NELSON B. BELL

THE melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year, in the view of the showman. Of wailing winds, and naked woods, and meadows brown and sere, being no William Cullen Bryant, I wouldn't know, but my surmise would be that in point of utter barrenness the sterile picture so deftly painted would take on an astonishing resemblance to the overflowing horn of plenty as compared with the productiveness of today and tomorrow in even the most remote of our cathedrals of the cinema.

These are the days upon which the sportively inclined may with entire impunity toss a piano about the orchestra floor of any of the downtown mosques of the movies without fear of bashing the bean or imperiling the physical integrity of any surreptitious petholder intent upon the images reflected upon the screen. There are none such. The orchestras toot to empty stalls; the organs moan futilely in the vain hope that some ear will hear; the house cats creep timidly through the deep-piled aisles terrorized by the racket their velvet footfalls do not make. Eerie business, an empty playhouse! Eerie business, an empty coffer, the theater people insist.

But by Tuesday night they will have forgotten that. The Christmas tree denuded, the toys bent and broken, the turkey reduced to nothing more than a skeleton of its former self and a dollar by some miracle of mercy remaining in the kick, the populace will fare forth for frolic under the mazdas and the delusion of the drama.

For only a moment can it be said that it is the night before Christmas, when all through the flat not a creature is stirring, not even a rat!

And it is wholly fitting that it should be momentarily tough for the showshops.

The theater can well afford to surrender a brief day or two to the festival of the Yuletide, glorified by the joyousness that attends the recognition that Peace and Good Will are even remotely existent on earth and sanctified by the fleeting consciousness of the Supreme Event in the history of humankind.

I doubt if any theaters were even so much as open in the Little Town of Bethlehem a score of centuries ago.

IF at this belated moment there are any other submissive apostles of procrastination, like myself, who are in a quandary, not to say puzzled, about what to get to put in that still empty stocking hanging by the imitation gas logs, I can think of nothing that should prove more welcome to the amusement lover with a leaning toward the films than Will Irwin's fascinating tale of "The House That Shadows Built," an unblushing "plug" for Paramount, which, despite its obvious partisanship, traces with more accurate knowledge and firmer touch than any other book I have ever read the true story of the inception and the development of the silent drama as a dominant factor in the entertainment of America.

To be sure, "The House That Shadows Built" goes into a few extravagances with regard to Mr. Adolf Zukor's personal qualities and natural endowments that even he must look upon with some slight degree of skepticism, but in its unimpeachable charting of the course that pictures have followed to their present high estate it is minutely and minutely correct.

This I am able to corroborate in some measure by my own contacts in the course of a considerable participation in at least one aspect of the cinema's development.

There was a time, shortly after I had had something to do with the opening of the Rialto Theater in association with Tom Moore—whose dream of a "Temple of the Muses," artistic, commodious, acoustically perfect and all on one floor, it realized—when I also was concerned in making known the many advantages that would accrue to Washington theatergoers from attendance at one of the Actors' Fund benefits then about to be given in the National Theater under the personal sponsorship of Mr. Daniel Frohman. It was natural that I should have wanted Mr. Frohman to see what then was looked upon as a picture house worthy of national attention. It was equally natural, I presume, that he should have wanted to see it. In the course of the conversation thus given its initial impetus, Mr. Frohman remarked casually, it seemed to me:

"This interests me immensely as an indication of the general direction in which pictures are progressing. While in your newspaper and theatrical experience, the name of 'Frohman' probably always has suggested the legitimate theater, it may interest you to know that only a few years ago I was supporting Paramount; now I am letting Paramount support me."

The full significance of that cryptic comment never was quite clear to me until about three days ago when I read in Mr. Irwin's romance of big business just how vital a part Daniel Frohman—and indirectly his distinguished brother, Charles Frohman—played in stabilizing an industry which, at the time, under the leadership of Adolph Zukor, you may take my word for it was in dire need of stabilization!

THE surest thing I am of—flich a line from Octavus Roy Cohen, the Birmingham biographer—is that a reading of "The House That Shadows Built" will convey an immediate conviction that at no time since its introduction to the masses has the camera drama undergone any such process of retrogression as has overtaken Washington theater audiences.

I am at a loss to account for this manifest and lamentable degeneration of the mass theatergoers of the Capital. There was a time well within my memory, and yours, when the picture palace was nonexistent and my professional attendance at the playhouse was along the groove now pursued by Mr. Daly, my office mate; when an evening at the theater was hedged about with a bit of formality and something of the smack of ceremony. The President, like as not, was in a stage box and notables of many nationalities lent the occasion a glamour and an importance that now strangely seem to be lacking.

It had been my suspicion for an appreciable period that the laxity of public conduct was an outgrowth of the lower admissions assessed by the tabernacles of the titillating tintypes and the absence therefrom of the spoken word and the presence of the actor in the flesh. The advent of the talking film dissipated the premise that sound had anything to do with it, and attendance a week ago at a notable event in the Auditorium has confirmed me in the belief that there is no other explanation for any aspect of the Capital City's sudden flair for bad manners than a deliberate predilection for ill behavior.

In one of the foremost of the town's motion picture houses one night, when the sound device was not functioning as it should have, reserves should have been called out from No. 1 to subdue the demonstration of disapproval that resulted from a circumstance beyond the management's immediate control.

No longer than a week ago, one of the best acts I have seen in a picture house was humiliated by the claqueurs who acclaimed it by resort to the rhythmic handclapping that is measured by two even quarter-beats and three eighth-beats, repeated unvaryingly until the commotion becomes more an insult than an inspiration.

The occasion to which I refer at the Auditorium was the recent concert presented by Paul Whiteman and his orchestra. Two of the band's personnel scored a tremendous hit with an interval of clapping that was superb in its every quality of low comedy. Long after their repertoire had been exhausted, and their physical endurance likewise, these clever instrumentalists received the acclaim of as prolonged and as persistent enthusiasm as manual percussion could express. Mr. Whiteman attempted to make an explanation. Mr. Whiteman endeavored to bring about quiet. Mr. Whiteman tried to make a friendly gesture. Mr. Whiteman wished to please. Mr. Whiteman acted like a gentleman.

The best he received in return was a display of atrociously bad conduct on the part of some 6,000 supposedly representative Washingtonians. If he had rung down the curtain and refused to play to the remaining numbers programmed, this comment would have been rhapsodic in its commendation of his eminently just handling of a situation which, as it is, reflects great credit upon his power of self-restraint and upon all up this community's lack of courtesy.

Evidently we are not one of the bulwarks of the arts, we are one of art's boors.

Merry Christmas!



Pola Negri in
"The Woman
From Moscow"
—Palace.

Thelma Todd
in
"The Haunted
House"—
Metropolitan.

John Darrow, Nancy Drexel and David Rollins in "Prep and Pep"—Fox.

HOLLYWOOD HAS MORE RUSSIANS THAN COMMUNE!

Afide from Russia itself, there are more Russians in Hollywood today than in any other part of the globe, according to Paramount studio casting officials.

Nobelman, baker man, merchant and every other occupation that can be classified may be found among the thousands of Russian film extras who have come to the movie capital for the things that have been taken from them in war.

Recently a notice was sent to a casting agency by Paramount that 50 Russian types would be needed for Pola Negri's picture, "The Woman From Moscow," now shooting at the Loew's Palace. Among the 50 were to be at least six persons who could play Russian instruments.

The agency picked 50 of the types from among 120 hundreds of individuals and they were notified to appear at the studio gates at a certain hour. The 50 appeared at the given hour, but along with the original 50 were at least 500 more.

In virtue of the grapevine method of information news had circulated among the others that Paramount wanted Russian types. Studio officials were in a quandary for a time as to how to disperse the crowd that came, steadfastly to the gates despite being told they could not be used. Finally the police were called and the extras left. However, it was brought to light that since the Russian hopeful thousands who knew not their home can for themselves in their own country had fled Hollywood, there to earn a bare living by furnishing Russian atmosphere for the movies.

Auxiliaries.

On the stage Wesley Eddy and the Palace Syncopators are presented in "Topsy-Turvy Town," staged at Paul Oscar's "Topsy-Turvy Town," which features Ferry Corvey, Ford and Whitemy, the Phelps Twins and the Gamby-Hall Girls.

The summer program consists of contributions by Harry Conklin and the Palace Orchestra, Charles Gaige at the console, the Fox Movietone News, the M-G-M News, and several novelties presented under the personal supervision of Colby Harriman, managing director.

DISCIPLINE IS ESSENTIAL FOR STAGE SUCCESS

Lewis Stone, star of stage and screen, who has a leading role in the latest John Gilbert and Greta Garbo costarring film, "A Woman of Affairs," which synchronized with sound, is now playing at Loew's Columbia, was asked recently what single asset he considered most valuable in a young actor.

"I think the most valuable asset any young man can possess is the habit of discipline and the physical well-being that comes from military training," was the reply.

"I never could have stood the strain of the first years on the stage and screen had it not been for the training I received as a boy in military school," Stone continued. "The rigorous physical culture program was drilled into me thoroughly so that it became a part of my everyday life and I have never forgotten it."

"The value of this training and its effect upon one's life and habits in later years can not be overestimated. The military carriage that was drilled into me has been a sort of trade-mark for me on the stage and screen. I learned discipline, which is wonderful for a man in any field to know and appreciate."

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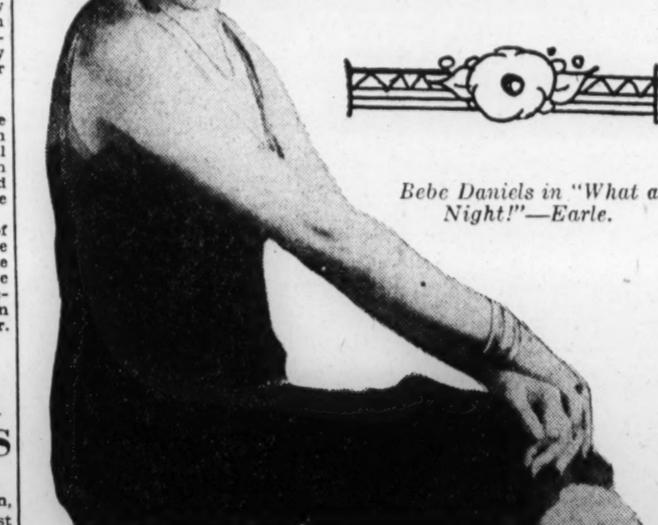
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Chills and Fever.

Mystery piled on mystery characterizes the thrilling film, "Seven Footprints to Satan," now being made with an unusually big cast of noted players



John Gilbert and Greta Garbo in "A Woman of Affairs"—Columbia.



Bebe Daniels in "What a Night!"—Earle.

THE SECRET OF GHOSTLY MAGIC HERE REVEALED

Apropos of "The Haunted House," First National's sound picture, the screen feature of the Christmas week program at Crandall's Metropolitan, and said to be a thriller among thrillers, Benjamin Christensen, who directed the film, gives some interesting sidelights on his "ghostly medium."

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JAS. R. QUIRK LOADS HIS PEN WITH HOT INK!

The movie players—those same free-dom-loving boys and girls who have been rebelling at professional censorship and snatching all these years—now apply censors to themselves

and are dictating what shall be written about them in the magazines and newspapers.

James R. Quirk, editor and publisher of Photoplay Magazine, reveals that situation in accepting the challenge in an editorial in his January issue.

"The Motion Picture Academy of Arts and Sciences is becoming all hot and bothered about what it calls the 'scurrilous, degraded and facetious articles' published about its personnel."

"They are trying to take off this ridiculous amount of weight. They get the kind of clothes they want when they dress, room lighting and so on. But they are willing to stand by the figure and that player must be born on a haggard state in order to present the desired appearance of slenderness on the screen."

These are the startling facts brought to light in an appearance of Wallace Beery and Florence Vidor. Samuel Ornitz wrote this story of Chinatown and it was directed by William Wellman.

"The Wild Party," Clara Bow's first all-talking picture, was directed by Edward Sutherland and stars Ruth Chatterton, Fredric March, John Cromwell, ZaSu Pitts, Jack Oakie, Fred Kander and Mickey Bennett appear in the cast, which was directed by Robert Milton.

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Close Ups-Pre-views-Retakes and Rushes

CLOTHES MAY NOT MAKE THE MAN--BUT SCREENSTERS, YES

It takes gasoline to make an automobile run, and it takes clothes to make and keep a motion picture star running.

In the case of Adolphe Menjou it requires 20 suits, 3 dozen shirts, a dozen hats, 40 or 50 neckties, 10 pairs of gloves and a dozen pairs of shoes a year.

Jack Holt's screen wardrobe needs are simpler. A "10-gallon" hat, a pair of leather chaps, a "six gun" and cartridge belt, some riding boots, and a mackintosh coat are all that Holt needs to bring him his motion picture fame.

The wardrobe problem has been simplified recently for Gary Cooper. In two of his last roles he wore an Army uniform. In his current part for "Mark of the Wolf" he wears the clothes of a rugged-and-ready trapper.

All of Cooper's parts aren't so easy on the pocketbook, however. From twelve to fifteen suits a year are required to keep him equipped, with a corresponding supply of accessories.

Carrie ("Buddy") Moore has run a fairly safe race with Menjou for wardrobe honors. He is a little easier on the evening clothes than is the lead exponent of well-dressed sophistication.

Dixie Cooper, Richard Dix has had a good break in the wardrobe situation recently. In his last picture, "Redskin," he takes the part of an American Indian. Before that he wore the uniform of a Leatherneck in "Mormon the Marines."

Dix is known as one of the best

dressers in the motion picture colony, however, and private wardrobe needs continue even when good clothes are not required for the films. Dix's annual tailor bill runs into sizable figures, it is rumored.

SCREEN LIFE IN HOLLYWOOD

By WADE WERNER.

OLLYWOOD, Calif.—Priscilla Dean is back on the screen again; this time in a technicolor interpretation of the beauteous Mme. Du Barry, favorite of Louis XIV.

Walt Disney's "Snow White" has made temporarily popular in France.

An interesting use of color in this brief picture is the constant association of Du Barry with flowers and their colors. At the end, one realizes her destiny is symbolized in the fragile beauty of a rose held contemptuously in the revolutionary judge before whom she is tried. When he, after toying a while with it, drops it off the stem with his knife, there is no need to show any details of the inevitable guillotining.

Street of Christmas.

Hollywood, one of the most widely talked and written about streets in the world, has been renamed Santa Claus Lane for the duration of the holiday season. It was the idea of the Chamber of Commerce, of course, and intended to stimulate Christmas shopping in this film community. But to many who stroll the celebrated street the new signs would just as appropriate the year round. The bordering stores have been transformed into thousands of screen-struck folk here hoping for fame in the films. They are fervent believers in a cinema Santa Claus when they arrive; and sometimes, in very rare instances, when they leave.

Santa's Voice Test.

And speaking of Christmas, even that historic anniversary is being influenced by the prevailing excitement over talking pictures. Richard Arlen is sending his Yuletide greeting this year on a strip of sound film. He has "A Merry Christmas" from a sound camera and had copies of the resultant celluloid sound track made for mounting on his greeting cards. Any one who can't guess what the sound track is meant to say can run it through any sound-film projector and hear the words themselves.

Tailored Shoes.

Heroines will be suited and booted in tweeds this winter. Anyway, that is Dorothy Mackail's latest street costume, a tweed suit and shoes of the same material trimmed with a little leather.

FLASHBACKS AND FADEOUTS

Freddie March, newly signed Paramount featured player, is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin.

Grant Withers, playing opposite Coline Griffith in "Saturday's Children," will also play the male lead in Miss Griffith's forthcoming vehicle, "Prisoners."

Earl Sull and Gladys Lehman are collaborating in the writing of an original screen story tentatively titled "Companions Trouble." It has been purchased by Universal with Reginald Denny in mind as the star.

Huntley Gordon has been added to the cast of "The Haunted Lady," the Laura La Plante starring vehicle which goes into production under the direction of Wesley Ruggles. John Boles plays the lead opposite Miss La Plante in this Adela Rogers St. John story.

Maurice Chevalier, gifted idol of the Paris stage, will have Sylvia Beecher as his leading woman in his first talking picture, "Innocents of Paris." Miss Beecher, well known as a screen player, is at present appearing on the stage in San Francisco as the leading lady in Ernest Pascal's "The Marriage Bed."

Frank Harling, composer of "Deep River" and the short grand opera "A Love Story," has been appointed musical director for short and feature productions at the Paramount Astoria Studio. He will be associated with James R. Cowan, producer of short subjects.

The cast of "The Bridge of San Luis Rey," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's picturization of Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer prize novel, has been practically completed with the addition of Don Alvarado and Dorothy Hale to the parts of the twin brothers, Manuel and Esteban. Other principals include Lily Damita as Camila, Raquel Torres as Pepita, Ernest Torrence as Uncle Pio and Emily Fitzroy as the marquesas. Charles Brabin is directing the film, a scenario by Alice D. G. Miller which is said to follow very closely the mood and story arrangement of the original novel.

CHAPLIN TELLS WHAT HIS LEAD NEED NOT HAVE

"Girl wanted; no experience required; steady work; good pay. Apply: Charlie Chaplin."

Of course, that ad doesn't appear when the little king of comics starts out to pick a new leading lady. But as far as results are concerned, it might.

Charlie has just picked another leading lady—his fifth—with no experience whatever. He just saw her in a boxing match and thought she had what he wanted for his forthcoming film.

George Bancroft has had about a 50-50 break so far as clothes for the screen are concerned. In a good share of his pictures he has taken the part of a hard-boiled roughneck and has dressed up in a "tough" manner. In "The Wolf of Wall Street," he takes the part of a stock broker, and his private wardrobe will have a number of new items when the picture is finished.

A turban mustache and a pair of glasses are the principal items of Chester Conklin's motion picture wardrobe. Most of his clothes are the "character" type of the kind that he doesn't wear when he isn't working before the cameras.

Emil Jannings' film clothes have practically all been "character" garments. In his latest, "Sins of the Father," he wore one regular dinner outfit for the first time in an American picture.

Of them all, Menjou is the hardest hit when it comes to keeping up an expensive wardrobe. Most of his characters he has created would be most easily kept in anything but the most correctly fastidious clothing.

All male motion picture players have to provide their own wardrobe, except unusual "character" clothes. "Also a girl must be ambitious; otherwise she will not take her work seriously. And to succeed, one must be intensely serious, particularly in pictures."

That's what Chaplin says. But in Hollywood, where they go in seriously for numerology, ouija boards, crystal gazing and such diversions, they'll tell you that the letter A has much to do with a girl's luck with Chaplin. For example, here are the first letters of the names of the Christian names ended. Note how the names end. Eva Purvance, Lita Grey, Georgia Hale, Merna Kennedy—and now Virginia Cherrill.

AND SUCH IS A DEVILISH LIFE IN THE COLONY

Away from the glamour of studio life and the screen social whirl, most film stars like to "be themselves" and enjoy the simple quietude.

Charlie Chaplin's prowlings up and down alleys of Los Angeles have become so accepted by his friends as no longer to cause comment. Then there is Greta Garbo, exotic on the screen, a home-sick girl off-stage. Much of her time is spent walking on the beach at Santa Monica or sitting on the sand, gazing wistfully at the horizon.

Nile Asther, another Swede, player, moved high in the Hollywood hills so he could be near his wife. When he is through with a picture at the Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer studio he usually jumps in his roadster and vanishes on a motor wanderlust with only his dog for company.

Charles Chaplin's screen production director, D. W. Griffith, would be planning to play the role of Sherlock Holmes in an all-dialogue version of "The Hounds of the Baskervilles?"

On Hollywood.

Mary Pickford's second annual excursion to Hollywood will start from Chicago February 9, when a special train will go West with the 25 girls winners of a newspaper contest exploiting the next Pickford picture. Last year thirteen girls were brought home by her.

Part of the agreement between the girls and their famous Hollywood hostess is that they must be willing to go home after seven days of sightseeing in the studio area. Twenty-five newspaper girls will chaperone them and write their daily chronicle of adventure.

Charlie's Elevator.

Charlie Chaplin still is preparing for his new picture. The latest addition to the big street set on which most of the scenes will be played is a genuine elevator operator. The day it was completed every one on the lot came around for a ride in it.

The comedian himself, meanwhile, was being annoyed by another one of those plagiarism suits. It seems a woman, a certain Mrs. Lillian, has entitled "Charlie at the Circus." It was returned unread, he says, so now no one at the studio is in a position to recall whether or not it had any resemblance to the plot of his last picture, "The Circus." The lawyers will have to fight it out.

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Stage Presentations of Interest

FOOTLIGHTS AND SHADOWS

By JOHN J. DALY

HERE is what might be called a real Christmas gift. For the first time in 22 years' active service in the theater, Mr. Stephen E. Cochran, manager of the National, will enjoy Christmas dinner at home. On all other Christmas Days there have been matinees. This year, with "Strange Interlude" as the attraction, a play that gets started at 5:30, and runs on, and on, until 11 o'clock at night, with time out for luncheon, or dinner, or whatever the patrons favor at the 7 o'clock hour, the boss doesn't have to come downtown until after the turkey is carved and the presents distributed.

Santa Claus is also good to the other side of the street, where Mr. T. D. Bonneville holds forth as manager of Poli's. There, the new musical comedy offering, "Well, Well, Well," does not get started until the very night of Christmas. So that Mr. Bonneville can have several dinners, at home and abroad, and then come down to enjoy a good show; for this one, with the idea back of it, the authors and composers, and the cast, seems to have what the department store people call "the goods."

Up on Lafayette square, where Charles Emerson Cook, disciple of David Belasco, has ensconced the Savoy Musical Comedy Company, there will be precious little time for Christmas dinners, or even hurried luncheons, for the Savoyards have devoted themselves, this week, to an altruistic attempt to bring back a piece of glorious memory, "The Gingerbread Man"—something certain to please the children, of whatever age.

A piece of good news in connection with this effort is that Philander Johnson, dean of dramatic critics hereabouts, has written a prologue to "The Gingerbread Man," and this has been set to music by Vincent J. Colling, musical director for the Savoyards. A poet, Mr. Johnson's prologue is naturally in verse; and those who have kept touch with his illing verification, published in his own column, "Shooting Stars," over a period of some thirty or forty years, may know that here will be something to awaken heart interest. Philander Johnson knows the heart of childhood.

"Nothing is so precious as the gift of being able to see life as a little child. The great geniuses of all time have possessed this priceless alchemy to a high degree. So-called 'practical' human beings—men and women of important affairs—deceive themselves into thinking that this quality is a handicap in their worldly advancement, and it is only once in a while that they permit themselves the luxury of enjoying the carefree, charming joys associated with childhood. Christmas is such a time," says Charles Emerson Cook, producer of the Savoy musical comedies at the Belasco Theater, and responsible for bringing to Washington "The Gingerbread Man," the best-loved of all Christmas singing and dancing fantasies. Eighty per cent of the record-breaking seat sale for the daily matinees and evening performances are for grown-ups, bearing out Mr. Cook's contention.

Charles Emerson Cook, by the way, has anguished with the public often and made many catches. About eight months ago he saw the hand writing on the wall concerning the public's rebellion against the high prices charged for the big musical hits—prices prohibitive to all but the very wealthy. He conceived the idea of a musical comedy stock company. Organizing a troupe, he inaugurated a summer season at His Majesty's Theater in Montreal. For fifteen weeks he presented late hits at popular prices, and the theater was not big enough to hold the audiences. Prior fall bookings at His Majesty's Theater prompted Mr. Cook to take his company to Toronto. After a ten-week stay there, he learned that the Belasco Theater was available, and a wave of homesickness for American soil is said to have influenced his decision to bring his company to the Capital.

Mr. Cook graduated from Harvard some 20 years ago, and there he made quite a name for himself in amateur theatricals. Afterward he was associated with the Boston Herald as dramatic critic. A very constructive piece of criticism he wrote at this time brought him in contact with David Belasco. He was prevailed upon to go into theatricals and did so. For fifteen years he worked with Belasco, and these, he says, were the most profitable years in his experience. Belasco is his ideal. Mr. Cook has several plays to his own credit. One which made a big impression at the time was called "Red Feather," produced by Ziegfeld. Another was "The Rose of the Alhambra."

HAVING heard so much about the phenomenal success of "Strange Interlude" in New York, Washingtonians may wish to know whether the company that comes to give this extraordinary play here is as worthy a troupe as the one that continues to play the piece in New York.

Miss Theresa Helburn, executive director of the Theater Guild, has declared that the company that comes here is in many respects superior to the New York company—and such a reversal of the usual procedure of producers in sending troupes to the "road" is explained by the fact that the Theater Guild, well established in New York, is just now seeking to build up a good will for itself in other cities. Hence more than its usual care in preparing a production has been expended on this "Strange Interlude," which is to serve, in a number of cities all the way to the Pacific Coast, as a sample of what the Guild can do.

At the head of the cast is Pauline Lord, one of the first actresses of America. An interesting experiment in comparing the casts of the two "Strange Interlude" companies was tried out in the week just past—the touring company that plays here this week supplanted the New York company at the John Golden Theater for one week, and New York critics were invited to come and compare its performance with that of the company playing regularly in that theater, which rested up for this one week after eleven months' constant playing. Praise for the touring company was encouraging.

Pegasus rides hard and high at Christmas time, and another dramatic critic, of the old days, comes forth with a paean. This, a contribution to this column, is from the pen of the celebrated Willard Holcomb, who presided over The Washington Post dramatic pages years and years ago; when Philander Johnson was first striking his true stride, and even before the days of Dr. Frank Morse and the late William Page. The ode follows:

A CHRISTMAS LONG AGO ALONG THE O HIO O.

Here's a little lyric of a Christmas—long ago. That dates back in my memory some forty years ago—in a way-back country mansion, and if you want to know what it was—"Twas down the river, down the river, down the O hio o."

I see a rolling hilltop—all blanketed with snow, And from the road the cedars a-standing in a row Led right up to the front porch and ready open door Whose draught along the hallway made the open fireplace roar. The back-log was good 6 feet long—diameter was two, It took a yoke of oxen to shift it from the sleeve.

And two strong men with cant-hooks to place it trim and true Behind the giant andirons, and underneath the flue.

Then, with a hickory firelog, and chunks of cherry, too, And chips of beech and chestnut and swamp oak that burned blue, A fat pine knot to start it—and how the sparklets flew! Old England had her Yule log; old Buckeye had his, true.

A day of feast and frolic, with no one in his cups, Then, as a special present, one of Old Sweetlips' pups, And lastly from the paddock they led a pony fine With flowing mane and fetlocks, and said that he was mine.

O, princes, kings and emperors, I envied not a one! A hundred million dollars meant a useless lot of 'mon.' Don't talk about great fortunes, for who can have such fun As a boy who's just turned fourteen—with a dog, a horse and gun!

Symphony Group.

America boasts the second oldest or- chestral organization in the world—the New York Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra, which will play here on Tuesday afternoon, January 8, at 4:30 o'clock, at the Washington Auditorium. The Philharmonic-Symphony Society is antedated by only one extant orchestra, the London Philharmonic, which was organized early in the nineteenth century.

The organizers of the Philharmonic-Symphony Society were New York musicians who felt the need of a permanent symphony group. The society was founded on April 2, 1842, and gave its first concert on December 7 of the same year. In the Apollo Rooms on lower Broadway. No Philharmonic concert has ever been canceled, though only two have been postponed in the 85 years of the society's history. One concert was shifted, owing to the death of President Lincoln, and another was postponed when the conductor, Anton Beil, died suddenly.

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DIMPLED DARLINGS is the NAME of the CHORUS



STRANGE DRAMA STARTS IN HERE FOR WEEK'S RUN

Eugene O'Neill's much-discussed nine-act play, "Strange Interlude," opens at 5:30 this afternoon at the National. It is to be expected that the nine-act drama will repeat here its success in New York, where, after nearly a year's engagement, the theater is continually filled to the last seat. This epic tells of a woman's struggle for happiness. Some call her selfish and unscrupulous in her envelopment of the lives of three men, others call her a faithful follower of woman's deepest instincts—but no matter how much they disagree it has been noticed that every member of the audience is always promptly back in the theater for the beginning of the second part of the play, after the dinner intermission of an hour and twenty minutes.

The story of Nina Leske, with her three men—husband, lover and friend—whose lives she has enfolded, is told on two planes, so to speak—through the voiced mental reactions of the characters as well as through the outer speech of the characters to one another—the audience hearing what they think as well as what they say, with consequent illuminating passages in which what they say contradicts what they think. For example, one character, who is a woman of the world, will say that she is a "giant intellect," but stifles the mental sneer to greet the newcomer cordially—an ironic commentary on the whole world's little hypotheses. With its swirls of the whirlwind in which human beings are involuntarily caught up by love, the play's message is summed up in the speech of one character—"Romantic imagination, it has ruined more lives than anything else in the world."

The Theater Guild of New York presents the play here with its usual meticulous care, and with a fine cast of well-known players, including Pauline Lord, Ralph Morgan, Harry C. Bannister, Helen Ann Hughes, James Todd, Maud Durand and Lester Bannister, Donald MacDonald, Helen Ann Hughes, Maud Durand and James Todd.

DIMPLED GALS AT THE STRAND

This week's attraction at the Strand Theater, called "Dimpled Darlings," is said to be one of the most popular of foreign burlesques.

George Leon is featured for his eccentric comicalities. Leon has attained great popularity during the past five years in entertaining the burlesque fans in his own peculiar manner.

Featured as leader of the feminine section with "Dimpled Darlings" is Fay Norman, a blonde prima donna of the ingenue type. She specializes in "blues" songs and "shimmes."

Lillian Kaye, a brilliant soubrette, and Maud Norman, a soprano, are the song and dance energies of the chorus.

Miss Lillian Kaye has individual talent of the entertaining sort, including the knack of kicking to astounding height. Eddie Lorraine, German comedian, Abe Shultz, comic and dancing specialist, Alfred Kaye, character actor, will lend individual and allied expressions of talent to the general program.

A special midnight performance will be given by the Strand on New Year's Eve.

"Jack and Jill."

Charles Emerson Cook, director of the Savoyards at the Belasco, and Vincent Colling, his capable musical director, have written and composed a new number, "Jack and Jill," for next week's Christmas matinee. "The Gingerbread Man," by Colling, is the author of such well known operatic successes as "Red Feather," "The Chorus Girl" and "The Rose of the Alhambra." The last named was originally produced in Washington, and at the Belasco. All three scored long runs in New York.

Additional news of the theater will be found on page 5 of this section.

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PARENT-TEACHER ASSOCIATIONS

All material for this column must be sent to the State Office, Room 101, Burlington Hotel, by the Wednesday preceding the Sunday on which publication is desired.



Children who have to spend Christmas in the Receiving Home under the care of the Board of Public Welfare are to be given Christmas gifts by the Congress of Parent-Teacher Associations at 3 o'clock Christmas afternoon at the home, 818 Potomac avenue southeast, under the auspices of the Congress of Juvenile Protective Association, of which Mrs. C. C. Leach is chairman.

Members of the committee are making and filling 40 stockings, 20 of which Alfred Holtzman Tolson has undertaken to fill, the others filled by members of the association.

Christmas greens for decorations will be furnished by the Parent-Teacher Association of the Patrick Henry School of Arlington, Va., and a tree and its ornaments by Mrs. Glen Leach.

Ernest H. Hall will make it a real party by giving ice cream for all the children.

Legislation.

"The Value and Interpretation of Public School Statistics" was the subject of an address by Dr. Frank M. Phillips, chief of the division of the United States Bureau of Education, at the study class in legislation on Tuesday morning at the Burlington Hotel. He said that in order to be of any practical value school statistics must be (1) comparable, (2) comprehensive, (3) accurate, (4) continuous, (5) reliable. Charts were shown indicating the trend in school costs, in birth rate and its effect on school attendance, comparison of salaries to building and other costs, health of children, ratio of persons to various occupations, ratio of school children to automobiles, and decrease in illiteracy since 1870. In 1870 30 per cent of the population 10 years of age and over were illiterate; in 1890, 13-31 per cent; in 1910, 7-10 per cent, and in 1920, 6 per cent.

Bills Indorsed.

The following resolutions were unanimously adopted at the regular monthly conference held at the Burlington Hotel, Tuesday, December 18:

"Be it resolved, That the District of Columbia Congress of Parents and Teachers in regular session assembled this 18th day of December, 1928, indorses the Gibson library bill (H. R. 14149), providing for a five-year building and extension program for the free public library system of the District of Columbia.

"Be it resolved, That the District of Columbia Congress of Parents and Teachers in regular session assembled this 18th day of December, 1928, indorses the Capper-Gibson bill (S. 1043, H. R. 13753), providing for the construction of the Children's Tubercolarium in the District of Columbia."

Local Presidents.

There were 22 presidents of local parent-teacher organizations present at the monthly State conference held Tuesday at the Burlington Hotel. The Parent-Teacher Association had fourteen delegates present.

The instant response of lifted hands would indicate that many little ones will be cheered by a gift of jelly or jam that will show them that they too particularly belongs to happy children. Please do not forget your promise to bring a glass of jelly or jam to the state office, room 101, Burlington Hotel.

Singing Mothers.

The Singing Mothers Chorus met at the State office Monday. She was on her way from her summer home in Massachusetts to her winter home in the chorus.

She has for 32 years been active in the national congress of parents and teachers. She founded the child welfare day movement which has developed into one of the outstanding projects of the national organization.

Langdon.

"The home with a mother who sings is all right," was the opening remark of H. W. Gibson, of Massachusetts, in talk on "Boys" at Langdon's Christmas party last Friday. Gibson, an expert on boys, gave tips for boys' wear, was deeply impressed by Singing Mothers who entertained during the evening with carols.

Mrs. William Collins, a former executive of Langdon Association, gave before the Woodridge Parent-Teacher Association December 13, brought out the fact that where there is a widespread longing for anything there must be a desire for the Santa Claus myth to our for the spiritual truth that lies behind it and Miss Watkins pointed out that if the children are denied the fairy story, you strike at the root of the matter.

The next meeting of the association is scheduled for January 21 at 8 o'clock.

Jefferson Junior High.

The December meeting of the Curtis-Hyde-Addison Parent-Teacher Association was held at the Jefferson, December 19. A most enjoyable 45-minute program of anthems and recitations, rendered by the pupils of the group of schools preceded the business of the evening.

Refreshments were served by the refreshment chairman, Mrs. Meyer. The attendance banner in the Blair went to Mrs. Lavins, fourth grade, and in the Hayes, Miss Berley, 1A grade.

Woodridge.

Mrs. Catherine Watkins, District director of kindergarten, had addressed on "The Spirit of Christmas," given before the Woodridge Parent-Teacher Association December 13, brought out the fact that where there is a widespread longing for anything there must be a desire for the Santa Claus myth to our for the spiritual truth that lies behind it and Miss Watkins pointed out that if the children are denied the fairy story, you strike at the root of the matter.

The vocal solo by Miss Eva Carlson and Christmas songs by a chorus of children representing the fourth, fifth and sixth grades made up a program of unusual interest.

Miss Kemp, the kindergarten teacher, had charge of the program.

Powell Junior.

"Adolescence, Its Character and Danger," was the subject chosen by Dr. J. E. Lind, psychiatrist on the staff of St. Elizabeth's Hospital, at the meeting of the Powell Parent-Teacher Association December 13. Following the formal talk, an open forum was held, when Dr. Lind answered many of the questions that had been put to the 75 mothers present.

The membership chairman reported 2 rooms with 100 per cent membership, and the total membership had reached about 230.

The immunization treatments for diphtheria which were given on Tuesday morning by the health department had been completed at both Price and South. Price children were brought to the schools by their mothers and given the Schick test and the three treatments. Any child who has been absent from one of these treatments should complete the immunization and go to the Health Center at 512 Street northwest, Wednesday or Saturday between the hours of 10 and 12.

For further information apply to Mrs. A. C. Chambers, 1717 Corcoran street, northwest.

A large gathering of mothers and teachers met at the Taylor School for their regular monthly meeting on Wednesday.

Mrs. Giles Scott Rafter, State President, was the speaker, and she was

Carbery.

"The Responsibility of the Community in Accident Prevention" was the subject of an address by G. Starling, of the executive committee of Henry Page, clerk of the House of Representatives, who was introduced by Dr. Merritt, one of the delegates of the District of Columbia Congress of Parents and Teachers to the Federation of Citizens Associations. Mr. Page spoke on "Parliamentary Law" some knowledge of which he considered essential to properly conduct a meeting.

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MOTORS and MOTORING

Front-Drive Car Will Appear Early in American Market

Six Manufacturers Are Studying, in Laboratories, Reversal in Design; Will Not Cause Discard of Present Automobile; Seen in Europe.

By WILLIAM ULLMAN.

With front-wheel-drive cars in the experimental laboratories of at least six manufacturers, two of them very large producers, this radical reversal of automotive design is making a successful bid for early introduction into the American market.

This introduction, authoritative information has it, will be earlier than most motorists may think, for the first front-wheel-drive car is scheduled to make its appearance early in 1929, and it will be followed shortly afterward by a second.

It is apparent, therefore, that front-wheel drive has virtually arrived in America. It no longer is looked upon in engineering circles as an experiment.

To say that it is an innovation applies only to its marketing. For several years this type of drive has been embodied in passenger cars abroad and has been tried out on the speedways of the United States. It also is in use in some trucks and buses. The next step is to begin the task of placing it in the passenger car field in this country.

Let no motorist, however, get the idea that its introduction will have the effect of throwing all other designs into the discard. The first front-wheel-drive car will be a success, but it will appear in the higher price ranges and it will require some time in the opinion of engineering observers, to place these newer types within the reach of the bulk of motor-car owners.

The principal appeal of front-wheel drive does not lie in the instant significance of automotive progress which is moving toward improvement of current design, but, if needs be, to more radical departures from conventionality.

Meaning of Change.

The motorist who uses the automobile which has the motive power applied to the rear wheels may ask: "Just what does front-wheel drive mean, and what purpose can it serve?" The answer to this question should fix its place in the automotive scheme of things in a rather well-defined manner.

Briefly stated, front-drive means simply that the entire transmission unit is placed between the front wheels. It has the effect of reversing the power plant and transmitting force forward instead of toward the rear, as it is now directed. No change in engines will be necessary, and the new type also permits the installation of the four-wheel drive.

In the front-drive car, the clutch and transmission will be set before the engine instead of abait. There will be linkage between the gearset and the shaft and motion will be transmitted by the long trip. The power must make from the engine to the rear wheels will be shortened tremendously.

The effect is plain. It is a fundamental fact of mechanics that transmission of power is proportional to the extent of this transmission of power, naturally, cuts down this loss. Proponents of front-wheel drive, therefore, point to a considerable reduction of power loss.

They point, also, an advantage in overcoming the inertia which must be offset before a heavy mass, such as an automobile, can be put into motion. Engineers who favor front-drive declare that it will be a matter of placing the horse before the cart, and they favor it, because they hold that pulling is easier than pushing.

Treatment of Rear Axle.

Treatment of the rear axle is interesting. It will be possible even to eliminate a rear axle entirely, the wheels are arranged pivoted to the frame. In general, the bulk and computation of this unit will be modified considerably.

The brakes in front will be placed not within the wheels, but at a point between the transmission and the wheels, removed somewhat from the latter. This design, it is held, will provide cooling for the front wheels, which will be exposed to the onrush of air as the car moves forward.

In the point of performance, front-wheel drive holds much promise. Its supporters claim that it will virtually eliminate the hazard of skidding, since the driving force is applied always in the plane of direction of the front wheels, and not in the tangent plane as is the case with rear-drive design.

This change is an important consideration when rounding a turn. The rear wheels of the front-drive car will follow the front ones, which are held in the same line as the steering as well as those that move the car.

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EYE APPEAL FACTOR GROWING IN POWER

Automotive Experts Formulate Technique That Designers Should Follow.

SIMPLICITY IS KEYNOTE

Automobile manufacturers constantly are striving for newer and more artistic effects in their products. The "eye appeal" factor has become increasingly important during the past few years.

Much interest, therefore, attached to a recent address before the Society of Automotive Engineers by a leading authority on style, fashion, and color.

The motorist, the automobile designer,

and the public in general are interested particularly in the following salient points which the speaker emphasized:

Copying is especially unattractive in an industry that has the resources and the ability of the automotive industry to L. possible to achieve individuality and completely to avoid freakishness.

Search deeply for the inherent qualities of the product to be designed and the purpose for which it is to be used.

It is important to tell him that our particular law demands lights that did not glare and yet provided illumination sufficient to disclose an object the size of a man at a distance of 200 feet.

At the present time, it is suggested that the law may have had its origin in the desire of some intelligent person to make the streets safer. One good way to prove yourself a better driver than your husband is to know something about the law.

Using that "influence" a woman is credited with having in the realm of motordom, I prevailed upon Bob to drive to the service station to have the lights tested. "You'll find they are all right," he commented, "and save money."

If the designer will study the various types of light that can be expressed by a motor car, he will have the key of fashion at hand.

Modern art is art that is in tune with our time, that reflects the life of today, and expresses our ways of thinking, feeling, and doing.

The use for which the car is intended and the color consciousness of the people will determine what the color should be.

Simplicity is the keynote in automobile design just as it is in modern art. The designer becomes a layer-on of extraneous ornamentation, he falls in his job.

LOOKING OVER THE NEW CARS

Some of the Points You May Have Missed

By THE OBSERVER

Even low gear is being speeded up in this day of speed. That is one of the noticeable features of many of the newer cars and especially notable is the fact to those driving cars of the same make as those they operated a couple of years ago. In this connection, it was pointed out several years ago by some engineering observers that the reason for the new low gear was not the corresponding change in second gear, was due to the fact that low gear was too low. Looking over the cars of recent vintage, it is evident that this is one of the things about which the engineer has decided to do something.

The anticipated arrival of a third four-speed transmission proponent serves to call to mind that the present advocates of this type of gear set, Graham-Peugeot and Durant, use different types of transmission in the rear of the car.

Peugeot employs an internal gear, while a spur gear is used in the gearbox of the Durant. The newcomer will follow the Graham practice and adopt the Warner transmission, if Durant is right.

Speaking of embelishments, we never could make up our mind about the wings atop the Chevrolet radiator cap; whether we liked them better pointing backward or upward. Apparently, there is no unanimity on the subject since it seems to be a 50-50 split between them.

Sport models have been responsible for the introduction of a number of new features and the future adoption of new models. During the last fall the Peugeot had the latter classification. They have been around for considerable time, but they never met with the universal popularity that now is theirs until the car owner to keep the pressures equal and at the specified level.

All the way through the automotive list there are names of cars that employ Ross steering units. How many of those who drive these various cars know the special feature of this steering system? It is the use of a low friction surface, which means low friction and which, in turn, means less energy spent in turning the car's front wheel.

Studebaker's products, from the President down to the Erskine, look very well in the wide belt line which they possess as a more or less individual feature. They have retained it in an interesting form despite the fact that several former users have adopted something different.

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Motoring With Mary

Every revolution of the engine grinds out wisdom for the woman who drives a car, one of them has discovered.

By MARY JANE MOORE

Lights Much Light.

May be only a woman could separate herself from the joy of having a new car in the family long enough to notice that the headlights on the car were not what they should be.

"Why, those lights are all right," Bob protested when I expressed a different view. "This is a nice car. The lights are bright enough."

"You mean the driver's bound to hit them right," I retorted. "Do you know what the law requires in the way of lights?"

"Not yet," I said, "but I'm sure we'll get it in time."

"You mean the law requires lights that won't blind the other driver?"

"That's right," I said, "but I'm sure we'll get it in time."

"Well, even new ones slip up at times in this condition. Ordinarily, though, the new owners are so enthusiastic they don't pay any attention to the lights."

When the lights had been aimed and properly focused, Bob opened the door and prepared to enter the car. The mechanic stopped him:

"Just a minute," he said. "You're about to pass up the most important part of the car. You're about to pass up the most important part of the car."

"What's the most important part?"

"The light you have is properly aimed and focused, but do you know that you've got enough light?"

You don't, and neither do a lot of other car owners who do not realize that the amount of light is just as important, if not more important, in fact, than anything else about the illumination system."

While he was talking, he looked over the connections at the base of the two headlights. All at once, the bright spots on the wall ahead became suddenly dim.

"Lights must light," he said, "and unless everything about the system is right, they won't."

"Both the road and my heart are lighter, now," I told Bob as we drove away.

"Say, those lights of yours could stand a little adjustin'."

The Old Mechanic Says:

Since we are bound to be creatures

of habit, it strikes me that we might as well make the habit good ones.

The care we give our automobiles is a habit, and in too many cases it's got to be a good habit.

I think the motorist would make a long stride toward changin' from a bad habit to a good habit in car care if he'd develop the same attitude toward lubrication and inspection as he does toward gettin' the tank filled.

That job he seems to view as a sort of necessary evil. There's no way out, so when the fuel gets low he goes to a fillin' station for some more.

Runnin' out of gas between fillin' stations is goin' to be a bad habit.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE WHITE HOUSE

1600 Pennsylvania Avenue Becomes More the Private Home on December 25 Than Any Other Day in the Year—Christmas History Rich in Vivid Incidents—First Family Now Takes Active Part in Public Observance of Yuletide—Romantic and Picturesque Events in Celebrations During Many Administrations—Mrs. Coolidge and Mrs. Hoover Thoughtful of Unfortunate at Holiday Season.

By MARY JANE MOORE

ITS immaculate walls agleam in the frosty moonlight of a winter night, in a natural setting of century-old trees dotting snow-blanketed lawns, with every huge window a pale yellow glowing of light radiating the atmosphere of the season of good will, the White House on Christmas Eve is a picture that lingers long in the minds of beholders.

Within, the scenes may not differ in essential from those in myriad other American homes at the moment, save for the unobtrusive presence of a uniformed man or two and the eternal vigilance of the Secret Service. As in other homes, sometimes there are children about whom the activities of the occasion revolve, and sometimes the offspring of the First Couple in the Land have grown to maturity, or there are none, just as may be the case at any American fireside.

Always, however, there is present the Yuletide spirit that increasingly, year by year, descends upon all strata of society, rich and poor, and those of high degrees and low, creating a real fellowship of man for at least one season of the year.

In its long service as the official residence of the President, the White House has witnessed many forms of Christmas observance, the custom of changing customs and the varied composition of the successive families that have occupied it. Its walls have resounded with the clamor of growing children making the most of the holiday that is nearest the juvenile heart. More restrained has been the music and murmur of formal parties, balls and receptions that sometimes marked the White House Christmas. And sometimes childless couples or those whose children have themselves become men and women, with the consequent repression that is the penalty of leaving childhood behind, have passed the day quietly happy in the comradeship of each other and perhaps a little knot of intimates.

Laterly, particularly in the administration that is now drawing to a close, the Christmas activities of the White House family have expanded widely beyond the purely family observance of the day that was often the rule in other times. This trend has been brought about largely by the growing observance of the day outside homes and churches, and has taken the executive family away from its own hearth for a not inconsiderable part of the fleeting hours.

For several years Mrs. Coolidge has vindicated her unforgetfulness of the unfortunate, to whom a little cheer at Christmas is priceless, by personally participating in the distribution of Salvation Army dinners to the poor of Washington, and clothing and toys to children to whom otherwise Christmas would be only an empty and mocking term. That the custom will be adhered to in the years to come is not doubted by those who know Mrs. Hoover, for already, as a member of the Cabinet circle, she has established the practice of stealing a few hours from her own Christmas to visit the Children's Hospital and brighten for a while at least the drab lives of little sufferers there immured.

The community Christmas tree is also now a fixture in the National Capital, and each year Mr. and Mrs. Coolidge have attended the formal lighting of the huge fir erected in Sherman Square, at the south end of the Treasury. There the President presses a golden switch and thousands of varicolored lights and jewels blaze out from the ground to the topmost branches, while Boy Scout buglers trumpet the formal opening of Washington's Christmas.

The present scene of a rocket is heard, and presently, high in the heavens, a star bursts out, symbolic of the Star of Bethlehem. The Marine Band is present and accompanies the carol singing of the thousands of Washingtonians gathered about the tree. Caught up by the radio, their voices are joined all over the land by church and family groups in one mighty paean of homage to the lowly Nazarene, and a truly national observance of Christendom's great feast is under way.

The variegated history of White House Christmases begins in the administration of the very first occupant, John Adams. The family had been somewhat dismayed to find the National Capital of the future little more than a collection of rude dwellings and half-completed Government buildings, connected by muddy, unpaved streets, but this did not thwart the President's determination that the first should be a joyous Christmas. There were no children of Christmas age in the household, but there was Suzannah, a granddaughter, and she began to make White House Christmas history in no uncertain fashion. Among the many pieces of her presents was a doll tea set, and to share her pleasure Suzannah invited in one of her little playmates, with the result that most of the dishes were broken. Suzannah's retaliation was prompt and primitive. She turned cannibal, so to speak, and unceremoniously bit the nose right off the large new wax doll that was her little guest's pride and joy.

There were only grandchildren also in Jefferson's term, but it can not be doubted that the charming Dolly Madison, who, as wife of the Secretary of State in that administration, began her long reign as mistress of the White House by acting as hostess for the widowed President, managed to make Christmas a merry time in the White House. But it was in 1815, when she had become actual First Lady by the election of James Madison as President, that the most picturesque Christmas occurrence of her time is recorded by Mrs. Benjamin W. Crowninshield, wife of the Secretary of the Navy, who wrote that on Christmas Eve the White House party was brought in to the family circle. "It ran after Mary," wrote Mrs. Crowninshield, "trying to catch her feet in its peaks, so frightening her that she jumped in a chair and clung to Mrs. Madison," with the result that "we had quite a frolic."

In 1820 Dan Cupid made his White House debut, and it was at the Christmas party of that year that there was begun the romance of Maria Hester Monroe, born in France during her father's diplomatic service there, mature for her years and much petted, with her first cousin and her father's private secretary, Samuel L. Gouverneur. They were

"The better half of the President was seated on the sofa, engaged with some half-dozen ladies in lively conversation; and though ill and clumsy at millinery, yet I will try to describe what she had on. A maroon-colored velvet dress, with short sleeves, trimmed with very deep lace and a handsome pink headress was all that struck the eye of the general observer. Mrs. Folk is a handsome, shrewd and sensible woman—better looking and better dressed than any of her numerous 'female acquaintances' on the present occasion."

"Among the 'guests of distinction' was the Hon. Cave Johnson, P. M. G., who bears a striking resemblance about the head to Mr. Greeley, of the Tribune; Mr. Vinton, of Ohio; Commodore de Kay, Mr. Rock, of Connecticut, a Wall street financier who can draw a larger draft on London than any other man in the country; two or three pairs of epaulets; a couple of pretty deaf and dumb girls, who talked with their fingers, and a score of others, who talked only with their eyes, while a whole regiment of the 'raw material' of the democracy in frock coats stood as straight as grenadiers around the outer circle of the room, gazing in silent astonishment at the President, and the chandeliers."

"One of the most generally remembered stories about the lamented 'Tad' Lincoln and his immortal sire deals with his time, when the boy, who was soon to follow his father in death, appeared at the door of the White House kitchen with a mob of hungry street urchins at his heels demanding some of the Christmas good things he knew had been prepared. The invasion was repulsed for the moment by the outraged cook, but Tad, undismayed, appealed to a higher court, the President, and soon all hands were neck deep in turkey and fixin's."

"It would be strange if all White House Christmases were of unalloyed happiness, but the only discordant note that history records was that blown by an opposition newspaper when Hayes had finally been inaugurated following the bitternesses of the Tilden-Hayes contest."

"This unpleasant thought will obtrude itself," wrote the unrecalled editor in the manner of the unbridled personal journalism of the times, "that this will be the first time a usurper has celebrated Christmas in the White House. But Santa Claus descends the chimney—alike on the just and the unjust."



Harris & Ewing.
At top—No. 1600 Pennsylvania avenue, the White House, about which cluster the memories and the traditions of many Christmas seasons under many Chief Executives. Above—Mrs. Herbert Hoover, next first lady, whose yuletide activities usually embrace visits to the hospitals.

married a little later when the bride was 16.

Stern old Andrew Jackson's first Christmas in the White House was saddened by the recent death of his maligned spouse, hastened, he was certain, by the treatment to which she had been subjected by his enemies, but the children of his adopted son, of Francis Preston Blair and of the Donelsons pluckily set out to dispel his gloom so far as childlike innocence could. They insisted that the President bring up his own stocking also, but apparently he was not overconfident that Santa Claus would do his part for in the morning his secretary, uneventfully, entered the room to find Old Hickory in tears over the corn cob pipe, tobacco and fantastic trinkets the children had surreptitiously stuffed in the President's stocking.

Later in the day the children received the reward for their thoughtfulness in the form of a Christmas feast. While it was in progress, some were puzzled by the huge pile of starch-covered "snowballs" that occupied the table's center, but not for long, for when all had eaten their fill, the President invited all hands to fill their arms with this ammunition and proceed to the East Room, within whose stately precincts there then ensued a hard-fought, snowball battle in which the Hero of New Orleans and his elegant Vice President, Martin Van Buren, did not hesitate to participate, as well as in the games

Harris & Ewing.
Abraham Lincoln and his son "Tad" are two in whom many legends of Christmas in the White House center.

of "blind man's buff" and "puss in the corner" that rounded out the joyous evening.

Another President, who found pleasure in organizing happy times for the youngsters was John Tyler, who personally directed a

Henry Miller Service.
The Taft administration was noted for its jollity. The only living ex-President is shown in oval with his small granddaughter, little Helen Manning.

Yuletide fancy dress ball for his daughter, Alice, aged 12, who was the belle of the ball in the costume of Titania, and his son, Tazewell, to whom numerous cousins, nephews, nieces and others were invited.

"Typical of the journalism of the times, which permitted reporters wide latitude in committing to paper their personal reactions to personages and events, is an 1847 newspaper account of a Christmas reception at the White House during the administration of President Polk, which also gives a whimsical picture of the scene."

Harris & Ewing.
Mrs. Taft, a White House visitor during the Hayes term of office, later returned as the wife of the President.

"Last evening," the scribe wrote, "I had an opportunity of seeing the members of the Royal Family, together with some choice specimens of the democracy, in the circular room of the White House. It was the Christmas reception and the latchstring in the shape of a handsome negro was outside the door." On entering I found a comfortable roomful with a little man, who would have been taken in any other place for a Methodist parson, standing before the fire, bowing and shaking hands in the most precise and indiscriminate manner. He is affable and ordinary enough in conversation to prevent one from feeling that he is in direct communication with the majesty of the whole United States and Territories. Mr. Polk is not a man to inspire awe."

The fact that the Clevelands had three young children brought a flood of Christmas remembrances of the widest variety from all parts of the world. The McKinleys had no children, though Mrs. McKinley delighted in knitting for the children of others at Christmas, and there was a hiatus of the noise of children which proved the lull before the advent of the large Roosevelt family in the early part of this century.

The many and varied escapades of the ebullient scions of T. R. are vividly remembered by Washingtonians, generally and White House attaches in particular, and it was inevitable that Christmases then were

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SANTA CLAUS' ADDRESS

By T. MORRIS LONGSTRETH

The Story of a Girl Who Had Been So Busy Helping Her Friends to Marry That She Almost Forgot About Herself.

ANET MILLAN had a recognized ability for running things and she hated it. Janet was already 25, and at 25 in Newark, Tenn., the shades of spinsterhood were thought to be descending. She was too sensible to be downright scared—perhaps the most dangerous symptom of all. But as she helped marry off her friends, the charming and unpractical debutantes who depended upon her to see that everything was carried off correctly, Janet's composure wore thinner and thinner. One evening at a full dress rehearsal of a young chit's triumph, Janet overheard an usher remark to a bridesmaid, "But the boss is still left. Why don't we ever do this for her?"

And the bridesmaid had carelessly replied, "Oh, Janet? She'd rather be fixing around for some one else. She's funny that way. I don't reckon Janet ever will get married now."

That "now" had given the jolt. Janet had sniled through the rest of the evening with a haggard courage, but in a sleepless bed she formulated a new efficiency with a steeled heart. If she could not assist herself to a wedding, at least she was through assisting others.

When the letter from Mrs. Kempis, her married sister, arrived two days later, Janet was secretly relieved. Being helpless was not only difficult but a bore. Then, just as if God was really anxious to help out, had come word from her sister saying that she was threatened with a serious illness, and would Janet be willing to come to Borderville and relieve her of household cares for a while?

Of course, Janet, the letter went on, you must not get up too high hopes of this place. Borderville is just a Canadian cow town, and if you came it would probably be for the winter. Nor can we offer you much in the way of men, dear. Travel is awkward in the cold weather, though the mounted policeman from Coutts comes through occasionally, a nice boy, though of rather different antecedents; and some of Arthur's ranching friends drop in from time to time. Yet the novelty of this existence would annoy you, and Babs is such a lively little girl that your coming would take a load from our minds. Besides, Babs naturally wants to make the acquaintance of her unknown aunt. But, as usual, dear, we leave the decision to you.

Janet's instant acquiescence was won by the fact that Borderville, Alberta, was so far away that no local map or station agent could comprehend it. New skies, new chances. If she could not be the spoiled darling at home, perhaps she could begin over again, among the cowboys. Her sister, she resolved, would find her safely changed. From now on she was to be a butterfly.

But it is one thing to resolve; it is quite another to reverse one's lifetime practice. Janet had not been at the Kempis ranch a week before she discovered to her horror that she had mastered the more obvious novelties and had become an adjunct. This weakness was not strictly her fault, for she had found conditions in her sister's home calling out to the very heart of her. Drought had burned up the season's profit, beef was down, her sister—the doctor said—nigh not recover unless she could enjoy a setting-up season in Arizona, and Babs, lacking a mother, certainly needed an able aunt. Janet had to be temporarily able, since Mr. Kempis, strong and ready for his own work, could not be expected to handle the additional exactions. Janet perfide felt.

The girl soon had the domestic end of things running so smoothly that she and Babs could spend most of the daylight driving about the country. While the cowboys were less romantic than she expected, Janet found herself inquiring into their histories. Their improvidence appealed to her as rather charming and as something tactfully correct. Men, she knew, were not really happiest uncared for. The mounted policeman mentioned in her sister's letter had been transferred, and in his stead had come a youth two or three years Janet's junior, unremarkable in looks or deportment, something of an unspoken blow to her.

I can't answer your questions, Doris, dear. She had written back to Tennessee, because there are no mounds in Borderville and the constable who has called twice on Business—spite it with a capital her—has twice ridden away without falling in love with me, or even getting introduced. His home, which is aptly called a detachment, is in the neighboring village of Coutts, and that neighboring village is 17 prairie miles away. So I can not run in, as you suggest, and deliver your message. He is not at all like the mounty in the book you gave me, and I doubt if any of them are. But I shall obey your injunctions if I ever meet one.

At present Babs is my be-all and end-all, my cosmos. She is adorable, with blue eyes that will some day drive men irresponsible and quite mad.

"Babs, dear," called Janet. "Be careful, precious."

The little girl obeyed. With a gust of irritation Janet recognized that authority in her voice, that carefully controlled command. Could she never rise above competence? Never give way and be taken in hand by some one else? She was just too dreadfully efficient. Even Babs, she divined, thought her incapable of failure. Certainly the child's quaint demands were full of such a faith. What was she asking now?

"Yes, dear," Janet replied rather sharply, "write to him if you wish."

"But you write, too," coaxed Babs.

"I don't want to."

Babs' eyes widened in hurt surprise. Her aunt was never like her mother, impatient. "You don't want to ask Santa Claus to bring you anything?" she exclaimed. "Then I guess I won't."

"O, yes we both will," said Janet quickly, ashamed of her lapses. "Write down everything

you want, sweetheart, and so will I, and we can mail both letters tomorrow. Be good and still now and let Aunt Janet think."

Aunt Janet looked out of the window to think. What should she ask Santa? What could she reasonably expect him to bring? Ah, there it was again, reason. Detestable! She took up a pen.

Dear Santa: If you have the time and can find Borderville, I have a few suggestions to make for our Christmas here. For my sister, a large package of Polar health. For Babs, a book containing answers to all the questions that she will ask next year. For my brother-in-law, one season of suitable weather. Personally, a one-way ticket to Tennessee would be most satisfactory, and then, my esteemed Santa, you might bring me a caretaker, if necessary, but in any event somebody who will regard me as helpless, inefficient, and unable to look after myself for ever and ever. He should, by the way, be fairly tall and strong and, if possible, slender. Dark hair is desirable, and I rather demand good teeth, but he must be able to talk about something besides the crops. Hie—

Babs was interrupting again. "You read yours now, Aunt Janet. Why are your cheeks all red like that?"

"It's warm in here, sweetheart. You read yours first."

said Endicott, "but you're bound to slip some time. We're just offering this final brotherly advice."

"Well, you can turn over and go to sleep," said Covington. "I'm safe. I've inhaled so much of this damn pure frozen air I couldn't go wrong, and as for marriage, I'm not giving in marriage nor being given while I'm conscious. It may be tough luck for a lot of girls, but why in hell should I? Look at Dowdy there, in Medicine Hat, five kids on a constable's pay. Married life's just one baby carriage after another. Or if it isn't that, it's the movies every night with maybe a shooting gallery on Saturday afternoons. Hell, I'm 27. Why throw away three years if you don't have to?"

"That's the way of looking at it," said Endicott; "you and me'll have that patrol around this damned island yet. Just the same, I don't trust you."

"Well, there's not time to have that brain-storm all over again," said Eads. "What I'd like to know is if you're checked up on the requisitions?"

"Yeah, from apricots to zithers. What'll we do with these?" and the corporal held up a packet of letters. "Addressed to Santa Claus. The kids must think we run a rural free delivery to the pole. Return 'em to the sender!"

"Return them to sender nothing," said the sergeant. "What's the matter with you? Think

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THE FIRST CHRISTMAS TREE - By HENRY VAN DYKE

The Call of the Woodsman

THE DAY before Christmas, in the year of our Lord 722.

Broad snow-meadows glistening white along the banks of the river Moselle; pallid hillsides blooming with mystic roses where the glow of the setting sun still lingered upon the arch of clear sky; faintest azurine banding overhead; in the center of this aerial landscape the massive walls of the cloister of Pfalzel, gray to the east, purple to the west; silence over all—a gentle, dreamlike stillness, diffused through the air like perfume.

In the cloister, too, there was silence at the sunset hour. All day long there had been a strange and joyful stir among the nuns. A breeze of curiosity and excitement had swept along the corridors and through every quiet cell.

The elder sisters—the provost, the deaconess, the stewardess, the portress with her huge bunch of keys jingling at her girdle—had been hurrying to and fro, busied with household cares. In the huge kitchen there was a bustle of hospitable preparation. The little bandy-legged dogs that kept the spits turning before the fires had been trotting steadily for many an hour, until their tongues hung out for want of breath. The big black pots swinging from the cranes had bubbled and gurgled and shaken and sent out puffs of appetizing steam.

St. Martha was in her element. It was a holiday. A famous visitor had come to the convent.

It was Winfried of England, whose name in the Roman tongue was Boniface, and whom men called the Apostle of Germany. A great preacher; a wonderful scholar; he had written a Latin grammar himself—think of it—and he could hardly sleep without a book under his pillow; but, more than all, a great and daring traveler, a venturesome pilgrim, a high priest of romance.

He had left his home and his fair estate in Wessex; he would not stay in the rich monastery of Nuteselle, even though they had chosen him as the abbot; he had refused a bishopric at the court of King Karl. Nothing would content him but to go out into the wildwoods and preach to the heathen.

Up and down through the forests of Hesse and Thuringia and along the borders of Saxony, he had wandered for years, with a handful of companions, sleeping under the trees, crossing mountains and marshes, now here, now there, never satisfied with ease and comfort, always in love with hardship and danger.

What tales he had told that day!

But now the excitements of that wonderful day were over; the hour of the evening meal had come, the inmates of the cloister were assembled in the refectory.

On the dais sat the stately Abbess Addula, daughter of King Dagobert, looking a princess indeed, in her violet tunic, with the hood and cuffs of her long white robe trimmed with fur, and a snowy veil resting like a crown on her snowy hair. At her right hand was the honored guest, and at her left hand her grandson, the young Prince Gregor, a big, manly boy, just returned from the high school.

"It is the turn of my grandson to read today," said the abbess to Winfried: "we shall see how much he has learned in the school. Read, Gregor, the place in the book is marked."

The tall lad rose from his seat and turned the pages of the manuscript. It was a copy of Jerome's version of the Scriptures in Latin, and the marked place was in the letter of St. Paul to the Ephesians—the passage where he describes the preparation of the Christian as the arming of a warrior for glorious battle. The young voice rang out clearly, rolling the sonorous words, without slip or stumbling, to the end of the chapter.

Winfried listened smiling. "My son," said he, as the reader paused, "that was bravely read. Understandest thou what thou readest?"

The boy hesitated, blushed, stammered; then he came around to Winfried's seat, bringing the book. "Take the book, my father," he cried, "and read it for me. I can not see the meaning plain though I love the sound of the words."

Then Winfried began to translate the parable of the soldier into the language of life.

At every turn he knew how to pitch a new light into the picture out of his own experience, the combat with self, and of the wrestling with dark spirits in solitude.

He spoke of the demons that men had worshipped for centuries in the wilderness, and whose malice they invoked against the stranger who ventured into the gloomy forest. Gods, they called them, and told strange tales of their dwelling among the impenetrable branches of the oldest trees and in the caverns of the shaggy hills; of their riding on the wind-horses and hurling spears of lightning against their foes. Gods they were not, but foul spirits of the air, rulers of the darkness. Was there not glory and honor in darkness, in them, in daring their anger under the shield of faith, in putting them to flight with the sword of truth? What better adventure could a brave man ask than to go forth against them, and wrestle with them, and conquer them.

"Come, Gregor," he said, laying his brown hand on the young man's shoulder, "come, wear the forested cloak with me. This is the life to which we are called. Be strong in the Lord, a hunter of the demons, a subduer of the wilderness, a woodsman of the faith. Come!"

The boy's eyes sparkled. He turned to his grandmother. She shook her head vigorously.

"Nay, father," she said, "draw not the lad away from my side with these wild words. I need him to help me with my labors to cheer my old age."

"Do you need him more than the Master does?" asked Winfried; "and will you take the wood that is fit for a bow to make a staff?"

The aged princess trembled a little. She drew Gregor close to her side, and laid her hand gently on his brown hair.

"I am not sure that he wants to leave me yet. Besides, the horse in the stable to give him, now, and he can not go as befits the grandson of a king."

Gregor looked straight into her eyes.

"Grandmother," said he, "dear grandmother, if thou wilt not give me a horse to ride with this man of God, I will go with him afoot."

The Trail Through the Forest

WO years had passed, to a day, almost to an hour, since that Christmas eve in the cloister of Pfalzel. A little company of soldiers, less than a score of men, were creeping slowly northward through the wide forest that rolled over the hills of central Germany.

At the head of the band marched Winfried, clad in a tunic of fur, with his long black robe girt high about his waist, so that it might not hinder his stride. His hunter's boots were crushed with snow. Drops of ice sparkled like jewels along the thongs that bound his legs. There was no other ornament to his dress except the bishop's cross hanging on his breast and the broad silver clasp that fastened his cloak about his neck.

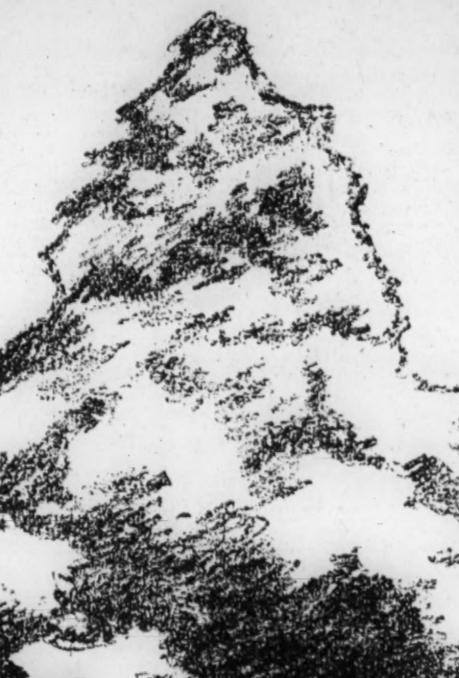
He carried a strong, tall staff in his hand, fashioned at the top into the form of a cross.

Close beside him, keeping step like a familiar comrade, was the young Prince Gregor. Long marches through the wilderness had stretched his limbs and broadened his back and made a man of him in stature as well as in spirit. His jacket and cap were of wolf skin and on his shoulder he carried an ax with broad, shining blade. He was a mighty woodsman now, and could make a spray of chips fly around him as he hewed his way through the trunk of spruce tree.

Behind these leaders followed a pair of teamsters guiding a rude sledge loaded with food and the equipage of the camp and drawn by two big, shaggy horses blowing thick clouds of steam from their frosty nostrils. They icicles hung from the hairs on their lips. Their flanks were smoking. They sank above the fetlocks at every step in the soft snow.

Last of all came the rear guard, armed with bows and javelins. There was no child's play in those days to cross Europe afoot.

The weird lumber, somber and immovable, covered hill and vale, tableland and mountain-track. There were wide moors where the wolves hunted in packs as the devil drove them and tangled thickets where the lynx and the boar made



women clustered together at the points of the wide crescent; white, the glittering bryndes of warriors standing in close ranks; white, the fur mantles of the aged men who held the central place in the circle; white, with the shimmer of silver ornaments and the purity of lamb's-wool, the raiment of a little group of children who stood close by the fire; white, with awe and fear, the faces of all who looked at them; and over all the flickering, dancing radiance of the flames played and glimmered like a faint, vanishing tinge of blood on snow.

The only figure untouched by the glow was the old priest, Hunrad, with his long, spectral robe, flowing hair and beard, and dead-pale face, who stood with his back to the fire and advanced slowly to meet the strangers.

"Who are you? Whence come you?" asked he. "and what seek you here?" His voice was heavy and toneless as a muffled bell.

"Your kinsmen are I, of the German brotherhood," answered Winfried, "and from England, beyond the sea, have I come to bring you a greeting from that land, and a message from the All-Father, whose servant I am."

"Welcome, then," said Hunrad, "the welcome of the All-Father, and his brother, Gundhar, the King of the Woods, and his wife, the Lady Irma, with their children, and their household gods."

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A sigh passed through the crowd, like the murmur of the forest before the storm breaks. Yet no one spoke save Hunrad:

"Yes, my Prince, both bow and spear shall thou have, for the way is long, and thou art a brave huntsman. But in darkness thou must journey for a little space, and with eyes blindfolded. Fearest thou?"

"Naught fear I," said the boy, "neither darkness, nor the great bear, nor the were-wolf. For I am Gundhar's son, and the defender of my folk."

Then the priest led the child in his raiment of lamb's-wool a broad stone in front of the fire. He gave him his little bow with tips made of silver, and his spear with shining head of steel. He bound the child's eyes with a white cloth, and bade him kneel beside the stone with his face to the east. Unconsciously the wide arc of spectators drew inward toward the center, as the ends of the bow draw together when the cord is stretched. Winfried moved noiselessly until he stood close behind the priest.

The old man stooped to lift a black hammer of stone from the ground—the sacred hammer of the god Thor. Summoning all the strength of his withered arms, he swung it high in the air. It poised for an instant above the child's fair head—then turned to fall.

One keen cry shrilled out from where the women stood: "Me! Me! Me! not Bernhard!"

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Winfried's heavy staff thrust mightily against the hammer's handle as it fell. Sideways it glanced from the old man's grasp, and the black stone, striking on the altar's edge, split in twain. A shout of awe and joy rolled along the living circle. The branches of the oak shivered. The flames leaped higher. As the shout died away the people saw the Lady Irma, with her arms clasped around her child, and above them, on the altar-stone, Winfried, his face shining like the face of an angel.

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CHRISTMAS MAIL

By FANNIE HURST

If you had been postman on Donohue's beat for 35 years, you might better understand his attitude toward the season of peace on earth and good will toward men. To Donohue, and most of us, like him, in Post Office Department of the large Middle West cities, so many years ago he had met his Civil Service requirements, Christmas was the tormenting season which began early in December and concluded some time after the New Year.

When the first flurry of snow began to fly, Donohue would feel his spirits sag. A sense of dread began to form somewhere in his being and his armpits start to ache as if in anticipation.

For 35 years Donohue had plowed through a cataclysm of Christmas postcards, greetings, packages, and his mail. He was given the vogue for the Christmas card comes in like a great and belching lion, roaring its way across the world: Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Man.

Donohue hated Christmas. It was a period of torture to him.

He staggered along until his fatigue made his eyes roll and his very heart strain. Ices formed on his face and his lashes stiffened. Housewives opened their doors just 1 inch, so that he had to poke the letters in one by one, so cold and blistery could be the month of Yuletide be.

Donohue was something of a character on his beat. People liked him, but they did not like his associations in the old houses that bordered the street on which Donohue made his rounds. Frequently, on the more blistery days, housewives invited him in for a cup of coffee—or, when the heat blistered, for a glass of iced tea. He had seen children on the ice, grown men and women, children of their own. Life marched on around Donohue. But, except for the passing of the years, life went on for him at its monotonous pace.

Fifty weeks of making his rounds faithfully. He had a record for unbroken service. Two weeks of annual vacation spent in a little farm just 3 miles from town. And the pack again to the day-by-day, to the day-by-day.

There was something of the querulous old bachelor about Donohue, although people said of him that his bark was worse than his bite. He considered it a fallacy that two could live as well as one, and never married. He lived in a two-room frame house on the edge of the more fashionable district, where he distributed mail. He owned a cat and a small blind turtle. His needs were almost as simple as theirs. A place to sleep and enough to eat.

Once in a while, however, he also lived on that unfashionable edge of Donohue's well-to-do beat, came over of his own volition and gave his place what she called a "thorough cleaning." Donohue was grateful for this, and, if there were mail for Mrs. Bodey, he made it a point to deliver it first, even if it meant a great deal of retracing of his steps, which was more than he would do for the less-favored ones of his little community.



If there was mail for Mrs. Bodey, Donohue would deliver it first, even if that meant retracing his steps. For Donohue knew that Mrs. Bodey was always waiting for a letter from her daughter Eda. Always hoping that Eda would come home for Christmas.

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of the others. Mrs. Bodey's little girl named Eda, whom Donohue had seen grow up out of her mother's arms, had "gone wrong," as the

saying goes. There had been a sharp neighborhood scandal and little Eda, who was 16 at the time and had a crooked yellow head of ringlets,

had disappeared. Once in a while a letter came from her with a New York postmark, addressed in her unmistakable angular handwriting, to her mother.

There were the mornings on which Donohue would block out of his way to deliver her mail first.

For three Christmases Eda had been promising to come home. She never arrived. Mrs. Bodey, with a voice full of sobs, used to confide to Donohue that Eda was afraid to come home. Public opinion, social ostracism, fear of the snugness of old-time friends, Mrs. Bodey, in her narrow, brown little widow, continued to live in her narrow, brown little house, hoping against hope while Christmas after Christmas roared in, and Donohue, whose back was getting rounder and a little more bent and terribly susceptible to the cold, would bring his mail bag, continued to plow through the knee-high snowstorms and the ankle-deep puddles.

Now, part of his dread of the Christmas season began to be his dread of what he felt sure was to be Mrs. Bodey's annual disappointment.

For months before, as he brought her the letters written by the dear hand of Eda, her spirit began to soar. Mrs. Bodey had so long ago forgiven. Secretly, in spite of the hopeful tones with which she confided the contents of these letters to Donohue, the old maid felt that Eda would never return. The pretty young bird had flown away to the wide world over. Mrs. Bodey, in her little brown house with crumbs in her hand, figuratively speaking, trying to tempt her back. Eda was too worldly now; too scornful or too afraid of public opinion back home.

The thirty-sixth winter of Donohue's service was to be his last. The day itself, he drew his shades, put the paraphernalia of the neckties, mufflers and shoe-sizes well out of sight and too sick at heart with the long, hard Christmas season, they brought cheer to him, these little evidences of the coming holidays and the friends of the people whom he served. But usually he was too "dog-tired" to have much capacity left for these things of cheer. The sight of a Christmas wreath in a window was anathema to him. The rigamore of mistletoe, of Christmas card, of red satin ribbon, or red paper bell, of Christmas tree decorated with tinsel, of plum puddings that weighed his back so cruelly was unbearable.

Donohue hated Christmas. On the day itself, he drew his shades, put the paraphernalia of the neckties, mufflers and shoe-sizes well out of sight and tried to forget it was Christmas. Most of the time he did, dozing pleasantly beside his cat and his dog, his head on the cushion on the tender of the sofa, Christmas locked out.

On the day before the Christmas of his thirty-sixth year, Donohue, who had a letter for Mrs. Bodey, rang her front bell three successive times.

There was no answer and so he went around to the side door. In the darkness he saw her little rocking chair held a cold stove with her head

slightly forward, just as if she were dozing, was Mrs. Bodey.

But Mrs. Bodey was dead. She must have seated herself because of a sudden pain that had struck her. Standing beside her, Donohue took it upon himself to read a letter from Eda that he was to deliver to Mrs. Bodey.

He announced her arrival Christmas morning.

Donohue met the train. She was so pretty.

She stepped off like a bird with a little pecking motion of her head which he remembered.

It broke his heart to go forward and greet her.

That was the Christmas that Eda's letters came more frequently and with more and more assurance with her mother. Donohue, who could be grouchy when asked to hurry with his mail deliveries, willingly went the five icy blocks out of his way to deliver her letters to Mrs. Bodey because that year it seemed to Donohue that Mrs. Bodey was failing.

Sometimes, when she opened the door for him, the icy blast almost knocked her backward. Donohue had seen many familiar faces suddenly disappear from his beat as death moved them down.

For thirty-five years the Bodeys, even during the lifetime of Fred Bodey, who had been a bookkeeper, had been Donohue's best friends on the beat.

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It is the thirty-eighth Christmas of Donohue's service and his two-room house, as he turns his aching feet toward it, looks as absurd to him as a birthday cake. There are red paper bells in every window and Eda, irrepressible rogue, has decked out the front door knob in red ribbon, and the Christmas tree in the window, brightly with nonpareils.

To add to his burden, hasn't the ridiculous child sent him 38 Christmas cards, one for each year of service! And in his own bag, so that he also had to lug it, was a four-pound plum pudding inscribed with all kinds of funny little nonsense-songs.

You just can't shut Christmas out of Donohue's house any longer—Eda is there.

TOM DINKLE'S VISIT TO SANTA CLAUS

A Christmas Fantasy for Youngsters From 6 to 60, With Something of Value in It for Them Both.

By MRS. F. B. MORAN.

ONCE upon a time there lived on the outskirts of Boston a poor widow, who had three little boys named Tom, Dick and Harry. Although they were very poor, they did manage to get along, for mother Dinkle's boys gave her a great deal of help, and she was very fond of them.

It was Christmas eve. The snow lay two feet deep out of doors, whilst the frosty winds seemed to be snapping their stiff fingers at the poor, as they blew over its frozen surface. Mother Dinkle threw another stick on her scanty fire to make it more cheerful for the boys, for they were all that there was left, and red toes to the blaze.

"I wonder if old Santa Claus will be out tonight," said Dick, as he picked up a chip from the clean floor and threw it into the blaze. "He won't bring us nothing if he do," grumbled Tom, the eldest of the three boys, who was not in very good humor.

"You'd better shut up, Tom," whispered little Harry as he nodded his curly head in the direction of the chimney, "or hell hear you, and then won't bring you nothin' sure an' sartain."

"Come boys, come," rang out the cheerful voice of Mother Dinkle, who was busy spreading out a nice supper of hot potatoes and brown gravy on a little doily tabe in the center of the floor.

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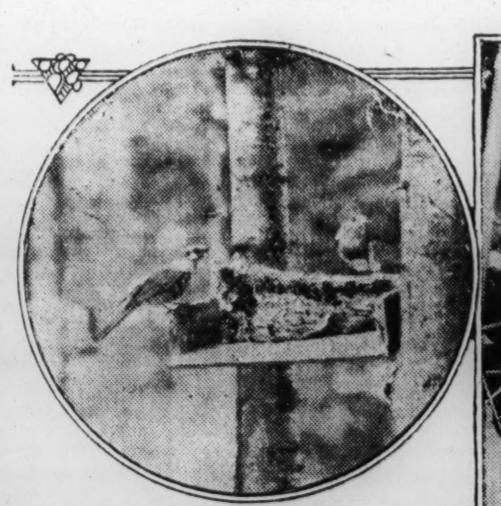
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RADIO NATURE LEAGUE

By THORNTON W. BURGESS

To preserve and conserve all desirable American wild life, including birds, animals, flowers, trees and other living things; also the natural beauty spots and scenic wonders of all America.

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ceedingly active mole—who delights in dotting the landscape with mounds of freshly turned earth. He is disliked by the farmer for two reasons. One is that he is exceedingly destructive to

crops. The other is that these mounds he is continually throwing up not only destroy vegetation on the immediate spot, but interfere with cultivating and harvesting machinery.

One of these mounds will contain about a third of a bushel of earth. October is the month of mounding, seven or eight bushels of earth are found. This mounds are of having seen fifteen fair-sized hills thrown up within 24 hours, apparently by a single gopher. Scattered with them are 32 so recently thrown up that only one inch of their exterior has been lost.

The aggregate of these mounds is about 47 hills, thrown up in two days, was not less than 25 bushels of earth.

This gives an idea of the activity of these little animals.

It is no wonder that the farmer hates them.

On the other hand, undoubtedly the farmer is obliged to them to a great extent in continually turning over the soil of the fertile prairie regions.

This surface vegetation is turned in and worked over and thoroughly mixed with the soil, producing fertility.

The pocket gopher gets its name from two large pockets it has on either side of the head.

These large pockets extend well back and can open outside the mouth.

Furthermore, they are used for carrying roots and other forage.

The food is stupefied into the pockets by means of the paws.

It was long supposed that it was supposed by

SANTA CLAUS' LEAGUE OF NATIONS



Mme. Edgar L. G. Prochnik, wife of the Austrian Minister, with her four children before their Christmas tree in Washington.

Christmas in the Foreign Embassies at Washington, D. C., a Colorful Occasion, When the Children of Many Foreign Climes Indulge in the Customs of Their Home Lands and Parents Unite in Acclaim of "The Babe of Bethlehem"

By PRESTON WRIGHT

In every spot where foreign feet may roam, Dear Christmase still speaks to them of home.

Tom rendered a colorful note to public gatherings by wearing their native dress. The Chinese and Japanese, in traditional sport, the gorgeous Oriental costumes in capital social circles, and frequently on the street; the Egyptian and Turkish delegates were distinguishable by their head-dress, while other representatives were identified with the country that they served in the United States by some national characteristics in their attire.

But now all of that is changed. Save on unusual and exclusive occasions, the outward appearance of the 50 governments represented at the Capital of the United States thoroughly Americanized.

However, once let the doors of the imposing mansions known as the embassies be closed upon the Western World, and life assumes an intimate and homelike aspect to the family therein. For the foreign world of America is then shut out and there are in truth upon their own territory.

The embassies are, however, veritable, so many plots of foreign soil dotted around under the shadow of the great white dome on Capitol Hill, for they are subject to no American law and absorb very few American customs.

At no season of the year are these homes so much in evidence as at Christmas, and as a large percentage of the embassies are blessed with younger children, the observance of the day is especially significant. For Christmas, whether it comes to the sandy, sun-drenched shores of a tropical island or the frozen beauty of the North, is to mean—aside from its religious aspect—a tribute to the beautiful faith, the radiant expectancy of childhood. Whether it is ushered in in solemnity or hilarious gayety, it speaks of the homeland to hearts far from home. Affairs are for the time forgotten, race and nationalities are merged in the spirit—a reflection in part of the humble cottages scattered throughout the "old country."

Therefore, to peep behind the curtains of the embassies is to make a pilgrimage to many lands at the most blessed season of the year.

WHILE there are no children at the British Embassy, where Sir and Lady Grey are held forth, there are a number in the families attached to the legation, and the famous English Christmas spirit is rampant among them as the season is ushered in. These English homes become once again the Merrie England immortalized in song and story, and with the bringing in of

the Yule log comes legends handed down for hundreds of years and carols which are as much a part of an English Christmas as the plum pudding which adorns every English Christmas table board. The boar's head brought in on a silver platter may now be a thing of the past, but the more pretentious of the ancient English baronial halls, but the following bowl is still present, the master, mistress, maid and butler make "merrie," and rosy-cheeked children hang up to the kings of English yule and kiss each other under mistletoe, often sent from the great forests in which the Druids once worshipped. The day, of course, is properly observed by attending church services.

ALTHOUGH the Christmas tree is a main feature of the festivities of many countries, it sees, perhaps, its greatest glorification in Germany. Marisa, the 5-year-old daughter of Herr von Prittwitz, German Ambassador, will probably have not one, but several Christmas trees erected in different parts of the house, for in German households the scintillating pyramid of light and color is the symbol of Christmas joy. In Germany, especially, the trees used by so many people as in Germany, and no peasant is so poor nor no baron so elevated that trees elaborately decorated and lighted do not shine forth from every window. The giving of gifts



Mlle. Reine Claudel, daughter of the Ambassador from France.



Marisa von Prittwitz, daughter of the German Ambassador.

might be said to have originated largely in Germany, and under the skillful masters brought up in their trade, there blossoms forth an array of toys as beautiful as they are unique and durable. A stocking hung by the chimney with care would have no especial significance to little Marisa of the German Embassy, but a Christmas tree all dressed and awaiting the visit of St. Nicholas is quite another thing. Christmas is the great time for family reunions among the Germans, and they will travel miles to be together. The embassy in the U. S. at Washington has numbered more visitors from "home folks" than has the German Embassy in the year past.

What plum pudding is to the English Christmas, "pfefferkuchen," or pepper cake, is to the Christmas of the German child. Along with other Christmas dishes, one might find "Kugelhupf" and "Mohnkugeln," an East Prussian dish composed of poppy seed, white bread, almonds and raisins stewed in milk.

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The ancient religious dance, danced to the music

MIDNIGHT may find a world of festivity awaiting for Santa Claus in English-speaking countries, but in America as in the U. S. the custom is to receive the gift-giver for the generation of St. Nicholas. And that charmed visit takes place nearly three weeks before that of the American Santa Claus, as December 6, the birthday of St. Nicholas, sees the real festivities in Holland. On that day young Belgian Magdalene and Belgian Coesterine, daughter of the Secretary of the Netherlands Legation in Washington, together with her younger sister, will carefully fill a wooden shoe with straw and place it where it will not fall to catch the benevolent eye of St. Nick. A wee Christmas tree may grace a stable or garden, but the real Christmas symbol will appear when the "boerleier" comes on the table. This is a Dutch pastry, always associated with the Christmas season in Holland, made of a sort of almond paste shaped in the initials of the various members of the family. Only on St. Nicholas' birthday does this delicacy make its appearance in the average Dutch home, but always then.

BEFORE the bells ring for the midnight mass on "Noche Buena" (Good Night) the entrancing little daughter of Señor and Señora Tellez, of the Mexican Embassy, will no doubt hasten to her good deed for others, according to an ancient custom. The children of the household, or a Christmas tree to dance around, but it will be rather as an added gift of mirth than an established custom of Mexican homes. But there are sure to be chestnuts aplenty, besides all of the other delicacies dear to the Mexican palate.

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CHRISTMAS IN THE WHITE HOUSE

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times of unrestrained juvenile high jinks. But Mrs. Roosevelt was insistent that the surprise element in connection with the family's gifts be held inviolate until Christmas morn, so that all of them were carefully sequestered in one big room to which only she and one maid had keys.

Because of his devotion to the cause of conservation of natural resources, for two years President Roosevelt would sanction no Christmas tree in the White House, but one year Archie and Quentin, who a few years earlier had lay down his life for his country, snuggled one in and trimmed it in Archie's room. Later, when Roosevelt's conservation chief, Gifford Pinchot, told the President that the supervised cutting of Christmas greens did not menace the future of the forests, the Chief Executive permitted Christmas trees, which annually were erected in Archie's room. It was at Christmas balls that "Princess Alice," the present Mrs. Nicholas Longworth, and Ethel Roosevelt, now Mrs. Richard Derby, made their brilliant debut.

The jovial Taft was hard at work in his study one Christmas morning when the three newsboys who served papers at the White House timidly asked permission to see the President. "Of course, bring them in," was the word sent out, and after the boys had entered and exchanged the greetings of the season with their distinguished customer, one of the trio to call a pause, allowed that all three were pretty good boxers. "That's fine," commented the President. "Do you box with gloves or bare fists?" "Elthier," piped the visitors in chorus, so promptly and earnestly that the then heavyweight Taft shook with laughter.

The custom of Christmas cards at the White House seems to have originated in the Taft term, for at midnight on Christmas Eve 1909 a gross of cards appeared on the White

House lawn, harmoniously intoning "Adeste Fideles." Pretty soon a light appeared at the window of one of the private apartments on the upper story, the sash flew up and a large figure in a blue dressing robe leaned out, being happy on the assemblage. At the conclusion of the hymn the President sang out: "Merry Christmas, and thank you very much," to which the singers responded and departed.

The Christmases spent by Woodrow Wilson in the White House with the first Mrs. Wilson and the second, in spite of impending and actual war, were very happy ones. Baby Elsie McAdoo and the Sayre youngsters contributed their merriment to the joyousness of the day, the spirit of which, attaches of the Executive Mansion say, the Wilsons always entered into with zest.

Since that time there have been no young children in the immediate White House circle. Last year the only guest for Christmas dinner was Attorney General Sargent and, of course, John Coolidge was home from Amherst. But the First Family nevertheless spent a busy, happy and fruitful day. In place of a Christmas tree, Mrs. Coolidge introduced a note of novelty, founded on an old Dutch custom, by having built in the East Room a vivid representation of the scene of the Nativity.

As recently as last Christmas also, President Coolidge established what may become a custom of presidential Christmas messages to the American people. He personally penned it on a sheet of White House note paper and in this holograph form it was issued to the press for reproduction throughout the country during the happy season. The message was:

"To the American people:

Christmas is not a time or season but a state of mind. To cherish peace and good will, to be righteous in money, is

of the castanets in the resplendent cathedrals of the city churches as well as the little chapels by the peasants, and with all of the fervor as well as the joyousness of the occasion is a Christmas custom in Spain.

On Christmas Eve the Spanish family sit down together, but never with friends, upon that day the blinds are all drawn together.

The customs of Spain are followed as严格执行 by most of the fourteen or more Spanish-speaking countries represented at Washington and each country adds a touch of its own provincial colorfulness to the occasion. There are a host of young seniors and señoritas in these embassies and legations who remind one of the movie folks.

A MERRY custom of disguising the Christmas gifts prevails in the Norwegian household.

Sometimes the present is a valuable brooch, wrapped about in layers and layers of the most grotesque coverings, with mottoes and admonitions upon them, at every layer. Also, already fat-to-bursting, the famous Lafayette Square will have another wonderful feast at the Norwegian legation if the accustomed spread for the birds is given this year.

As in most of the European countries, Norwegian holiday festivities will last from Christmas Eve until Twelfth Day.

There are several examples of what might be called "Greek perfection" in the small girls and boys of the Greek legation. They are not aware, nor do they care, that in their ancient country many of the Christmas customs of the civilized world were derived. They are said to be the substitute an American Christmas tree for the peasant children in their native home, who at this season of the year go around from house to house collecting what is called the "luck of Christ," in the form of raisins, figs and walnuts.

Widowless little daughters of Signor and Signora Fernando Cuniberti, of the Italian Embassy, will put one over on the children of some of the other nations when she hangs up her stocking twice—once on Christmas Eve and again on January 6, "Epiphany." She may have a Christmas tree because she has come to America, but according to the Italian custom, the Christmas presents will be drawn from the mysterious Urn of Fate. Like all of the Latin countries, the foremost consideration of the day is its religious aspect and no child is too small to be excused from its observance. Even the most educated, however, could no foreigner can cook, are also included in the menu of festive occasion, and turkey is as popular in Lower Italy as it is in this country. The "presepio," or manger scene, is always the important feature of the Christmas decoration, and throughout the Italian candy sold in all large American cities around Christmas time, is as necessary to Julia's Christmas as the holly wreaths are to ours.

In the six embassies and legations—Egyptian, Persian, Japanese, Chinese, Slav and Turkish—whose religion is other than the Christian, Christmas is, of course, just another day so far as a significant observance, but the spirit that pervades everything at this season is a peculiar contagious one and upon these bits of "foreign soil," as well as others, social activities are quickened and good will is the order of the day.

The children of the diplomatic circle have long been regarded as one of the most interesting groups of youngsters at the Capital. Children of ambassadors in almost every country are familiar sights in almost every large American city, but the children of the foreign ambassadors and ministers represent a very different stratum of society. Many of these children are descended from royal families, and many have grown up to become little royal ladies while a number also have titles of their own.

And they are such exquisite bits of childhood. Familiar sights to Washingtonians, as they stroll through the parks with their blue-veiled or white-capped and aproned nurses, and chattering in their native tongue or in French, the state of every well-educated child. And their manners are the envy and despair of many an American mother.

It wouldn't be right or just to mention childhood and Christmas together without paying a yearly tribute to "Tiny Tim," the universal Christmas child, who is said to be "the boy who gives us every one" down through the years and will continue to do so when all of the entrancing children of the diplomats, who await Santa Claus, St. Nicholas and Kris Kringle, are white-haired grandmothers and grandfathers and telling their grandchildren about "when I lived in America."

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Moneylender Partial to Literary Persons.

Paris, Dec. 17 (United Press)—Pittless Paul is what the business men of Paris call him, but the poor call him Paul le Lepre. On the records his name is Jean Paul Lefebvre and his profession is money lending.

Lefebvre is brusque and quick in his movements. The client without adequate security enters and exits faster than the postman who used to deliver the mail to the business man's hands with Theodore Roosevelt. If you have the security, you refuse to pay him, and his price is exactly three times the money he gives you, or 300 per cent interest.

If you are a poet, a newspaper man, a writer of any sort, well that's different. The sharp angles of his Shylock manner round a Bassano softness and he talks books and literary shop, offers you a drink and takes you back into his apartment. There he brings down a large book with a chased bolt and opens it to the page you were reading—"Poems of Silver" by Jean Paul Lefebvre.

To poets his rates are two per cent, three per cent, at most four per cent. There are poets who have come and eaten with Paul, Prince Paul. The client without adequate security enters and exits faster than the postman who used to deliver the mail to the business man's hands with Theodore Roosevelt. If you have the security, you refuse to pay him, and his price is exactly three times the money he gives you, or 300 per cent interest.

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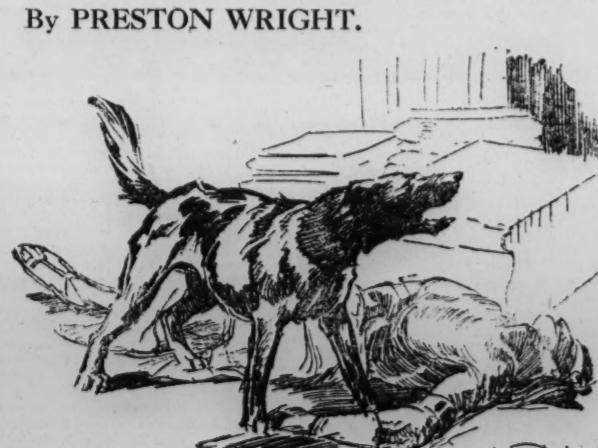
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Famous Pets of Famous People

The Dog of King Pyrrhus, Which Found Its Master's Slayers.

By PRESTON WRIGHT.



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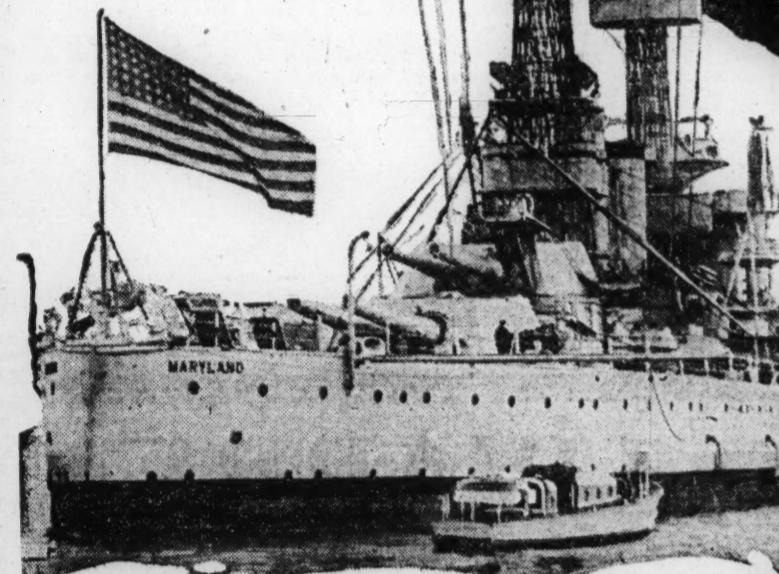
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HOOVER SETS AMERICAN PRECEDENT



First President-Elect to Travel Abroad in That Capacity; Roosevelt First to Leave United States While in Office; Taft and Grant Champion Globe-Trotters



The U. S. S. Maryland, on which President-elect Hoover is visiting South America.

By HARRY GOLDBERG.

WEN Herbert Hoover, following his election as President of the United States, announced the plans for the South American trip, he made a decision unprecedented in American history. And he unconsciously directed attention to the fact that he will be the first American President to leave the country.

Other Chief Executives have been abroad and have known England and the continent. One handled official business in the Orient. Several have been as far south as the Caribbean and another was a Minister to Colombia. Theodore Roosevelt went into Africa and down into the Brazilian River of Doubt.

But Herbert Hoover will be the first President to know the world. He has been at home in the farthest places of the globe. Both the Occident and the Orient have been his dwelling place, and his travels will round him out as the complete cosmopolitan.

In compounding the views of statesmen of various nations during the war in reconciling the views of capitalists of different nationalities during his business career and in bringing together the clashing views of the two States, he has developed a mind above local prejudices.

When he assumes the greatest office in the world on the 4th of March, 1929, he will understand through first-hand contact how changes in crops and round-ups, weather and tariffs may affect the prosperity of the American farmer and the city workers.

IT IS not generally recalled that we had another

President besides Mr. Hoover whose experience had fitted him to understand the Oriental mind as well as nations of our own type of civilization. He was the champion globe trotter of William Howard Taft, now Chief Justice of the Supreme Court. From his boyhood days he was a great traveler, and his official duties on behalf of the United States enabled him to give free rein to this tendency. In the nine years intervening between his appointment as Philippine Commissioner and his inauguration as President he traveled more than 200,000 miles, which included a complete circuit of the earth.

Taft went four times to Manila, five times to Panama and twice to Cuba, touching at Porto Rico. Of course his Eastern travels included London, one of his journeys Taft met the mikado, had an audience with the czar in St. Petersburg after riding through Siberia and just missed the kaiser in Berlin.

While President, Taft made what was then the longest tour of the country ever made by a man in office. He undertook a 13,000-mile jaunt from ocean to ocean and from the northern border down to Mexico.

Since those days Mr. Taft has continued his traveling. He was in England not long ago and spends his summers in California.

He is, however, not Taft. President Grant was probably the best-traveled Chief Executive. But Grant's journeys to foreign countries followed his term of office and was a grand tour, in which he practically circumnavigated the globe.

When he departed from America on May 17, 1877, the two great powers, both civilian and military, the steamships in the harbor were decorated with colors, and he sailed for England in a burst of public adulation.

His trip of two years and four months was one long triumph of such a demonstrative character that it is probable that no emperor or king in the history of the world was the recipient of such continuous homage.

His entrance into England through Liverpool duplicated his departure from New York, and Queen Victoria and the Prince of Wales entertained him. Similar receptions from the public

and royalty were given him on the continent, and Gen. Grant left Europe on the United States man-of-war Vandana, going east through the Mediterranean.

In India he landed at Bombay, then stopped at Burma, Malay Peninsula, Siam, Cochin-China, and then, landing at Hongkong, went into the interior of China. At Canton Grant was entertained by the mikado, and when he returned to the United States on the Pacific Coast the world-wide demonstrations in his honor were repeated. He also visited Cuba and Mexico before his travels ended and he settled down at home.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS rates high as a globe-trotter. He had advantages of birth and a period of history denied to other Presidents. His father, John Adams, took the boy to Europe when he was a mere child, and he was educated in Paris, Amsterdam and Leipzig. When Quincy was 14, Francis Dana, appointed American Minister to Russia, invited the youngster to go as his private secretary. He was in

London, Paris and the Holy Land.

Lord Dewar, who is a wealthy bachelor and director of the famous whisky firm that bears his name, has occupied a suite of rooms in the Savoy Hotel for nearly 25 years. Recently he supplied the Evening News with a list of his favorite sayings, the thousands of witty sayings he is credited with originating.

These appear under several headings, the first being about life:

Life is made up of trials, with an occasional conviction.

To some others, life is just one darn stock-in-trade.

Every man has a black and white side of life. Most men are believers in heredity until the son makes a fool of himself.

Man reaps what he sows, unless he be an amateur gardener.

Particulars of the perjury of the world is expected on corroborations.

Providence never intended us to be equal except when we are asleep.

On the subject of matrimony, Lord Dewar says:

Wreck on Permanent Wave.

No man is so good but a good woman can make him better.

A golden wedding is when a couple have gone fifty-fifty.

Marriage is a great institution—for those who like institutions.

Many a bachelors has been wrecked on a permanent wave.

There are more mormons in London than in Salt Lake City, but their wives don't know it.

Two pronouncements on divorce follow his marriage observations:

Divorce is a great institution: it keeps women in circulation. When husbands went everywhere their wives told them to go, there would be fewer divorces but more widows.

Dewar's philosophy of life shows in the following bits of wisdom:

A philosopher is a man who can look at an empty glass with a smile.

It is much better to have a few hundreds in the bank than millions on the brain.

Women's Place in Heaven.

No gentleman has ever heard your story before. To achieve disarmament build battleships by public subscription.

A man's reputation is that which is not found out about him.

It seems to me that woman's place is no longer in the home in the Orient.

A man who hides behind a woman's skirts to-day is not a coward; he is a magician.

When a man says his word is as good as his bond—get his bond.

We have been told that man is the noblest work of God, but nobody ever said so except man.

It is a wise wife who laughs at her husband's jokes.

Poets are born, not paid.

The road to success is filled with women pushing their husbands along.

It is not so much what a man stands for as what he fails for.

Looking at the world today, Lord Dewar has observed:

There are no idle rich; they are all dodging people who want their money.

Many a bachelor has been wrecked on a permanent wave.

There are more mormons in London than in Salt Lake City, but their wives don't know it.

The one thing that hurts more than paying income tax is not having to pay income tax.

President-elect Herbert C. Hoover is now on a good-will tour of the South American republics and is becoming acquainted with the only part of the world which he had not previously visited.

Not more than five Presidents down to Lincoln's time had crossed the Alleghenies, and four of them were Western men who had to come over the mountains in order to get to Washington—Jackson, Polk, Harrison and Taylor.

The early group of Presidents who had seen foreign soil gained their experience in the service of the young republic. John Adams was Minister to France, a member of a commission which met in Holland, and he was Minister to the Court of St. James.

Thomas Jefferson was a Minister Plenipotentiary to France, and he was the first American to serve a term in the continental countries. He made his interest in learning a service to his fellow countrymen. Like Benjamin Franklin, he was devoted to science.

In France he knew the ablest men of letters and men of science. When Buffon, the great naturalist, expressed the theory that animals had degenerated in the Americas, Jefferson referred to the bones of the mouse, zebra and squirrel.

Buffon, after examining the specimens, decided it was necessary for him to revise his theory.

When he traveled, Jefferson collected books for American colleges, accounts of new inventions and discoveries, and sent home seeds, roots and nuts from the continent. He visited hot springs of which might be introduced in the United States.

Van Buren, defeated for reelection, spent several years in Europe and was also for a few months Minister to England. William Henry Harrison served as Minister to Colombia in 1828. Millard Fillmore also found solace abroad when he was not reforming. When Wilson's foreign experience was confined to the military excursion known in history as the Mexican War.

When Franklin Pierce retired from politics the Madiera Islands charmed him for a while, and he also traveled on the continent. He had been out of the country earlier. Although he had served as United States senator, he enlisted as a private in his home regiment at the outbreak of the Mexican War and was wounded at the battle of Contreras.

A diplomatic appointment to England gave James Buchanan his European opportunity.

COMING down to our own time, the tradition was strong that no President should leave the country. When Wilson's term was over, he was unable to arrange a meeting that had been enacted under the last term. President McKinley and Diaz, the Mexican dictator, fell through. McKinley at El Paso would go no farther than the middle of the International Bridge, and his only acquaintance with our southern neighbor was a long look across the Rio Grande.

Hoover was the first President to trample on the tradition that the President of the United States must not leave the country during his term of office. He established a precedent when, in 1906, he crossed over from the Canal Zone to the territory of the Republic of Panama. And since his time every one of the Presidents has left the country at some time.

European monarchs make friendly calls upon each other, but there is no explanation of the fact that the Presidents until recent years have felt compelled to stay within the confines of their own boundaries.

Charles Arthur was disturbed by this intangible rule when he threw a line in British waters while fishing around the Thousand Islands. And Grover Cleveland once went beyond the 3-mile limit

of the British Isles.

President Coolidge has been outside American waters.

When he traveled, he was entertained by the King and Queen of Italy, the guest of Francisco Joseph in Vienna and Archduke Karl in Budapest.

In Paris he spoke at the Bonhams and Newby.

At Potsdam he and his wife reviewed 12,000 German troops. In London he attended the funeral of King Edward.

Everywhere mobs turned out for him, and he got a great welcome from the home folks in New York.

On October 1913, Roosevelt sailed to explore a virtually unknown portion of the Brazilian wilderness.

Months of hardship were suffered by all the members of his party, and the poisons of the jungle undoubtedly helped to shorten his life.

The foreign travels of President Wilson are still a vivid memory. This generation's reception in Paris, London and Berlin, and the popular demonstrations of incredible enthusiasm.

He was looked upon as the savior of Europe by the common people, and he was accorded the greatest honors at public assemblies.

His absence from the seat of the Government was longer than that of any other President, but his skill in facilitating international trade, and radio, made it possible for Wilson to continue to transact official business while across the Atlantic.

It was on a trip outside the country that Warren G. Harding contracted the disease that resulted in his death.

President Taft, however, but he is not the first President to have landed in Cuba. President Taft stopped at Guantanamo Bay, the American naval station, on his way back from Panama and spent several hours inspecting the station.

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MEET THE MISSES!

By JACK WILHELM



The MARRIED LIFE of HELEN and WARREN

By MABEL HERBERT URNER

Creator of the "Helen and Warren" Characters.

An Anonymous Phone Call Heralds a Mysterious Letter

"EAR, I wonder what Carrie paid for that rug? She needn't have made such a secret of it!"

"Guess she thought it was none of your business," Warren cracking an egg with early-morning vigor. "What's the matter with this salt?"

"It's the dampness—take this one. She's always asking what I pay for things," responded Helen, with rankling memories of his sister's prying.

"Huh, both of you pretty darn snoopy. Never saw a Jane yet without a curiosity complex. Here," he sniffed, "that thing burning?"

"It's not curiosity!" switching off the toaster. "I'm really interested—"

"Fancy way of puttin' it, eh? This all the jam?" scraping the jar.

Futile to protest. His opinions on feminine psychology unyielding.

"May be late for dinner," clattering down his coffee cup. "Full day."

"Don't forget your umbrella, dear," running after him to the hall.

Seeing him off. Turning back to the dining room.

Gazing out at the dripping gloom. No sign of clearing in the cloud-choked sky.

The all-day rain she had been waiting for—to make those bedroom curtains!

"Emma, I want this table right away—to cut out on. No, it's so dark—leave on the lights."

The dining-room table cleared. Opening the bolt of ecru net.

Measuring. Six curtains— $2\frac{1}{2}$ yards each. Yes, more than enough.

The lengths all marked, ready to cut, when the telephone shrilled.

Weighting the net with the scissors, impatiently Helen ran to the library.

"Yes, this is Mrs. Curls . . . A letter . . . I don't understand. Who is this? You don't want me to read it? But why? . . . Yes, I promise—but why? Who is this?"

An ominous click. Hung up!

What did it mean? An agitated appeal not to open a square mauve envelope!

A woman's voice—unfamiliar. No one she knew.

Find out—quick! Again snatching the receiver.

"Operator—operator! That call just now—can you find out where it came from? . . . Oh, it's very important—can't you try?"

But the operator callously indifferent to her break-the-rules appeal.

A letter mailed this morning—due this afternoon. To be destroyed unread! Why? What could it be?"

Dashing out to the kitchen, where the maid was polishing the range.

"Emma, what time is the next mail? Why, you ought to know—it comes every day! No, I don't—Well, bring it in the minute it comes!"

Returning to the dining room, but too turbulent to concentrate on curtaining. Broodingly staring at the slanted drizzle.

A letter she mustn't open! What did it mean?

Who could have written it? Something they wished to retract. What?

The voice strange, but that no clew. Perhaps phoning for some one else. Who?

A swift inventory of her friends. All too prosaic for this dramatic mystery.

A heart-thumping thought. Warren! Something about him—Some woman?

No! Unthinkable! Too absorbed in his work to bother with women. Yet—

Resolutely basting the monotonous hems. But still puzzling over the baffling letter.

The rest of the morning a flutter of fantastic speculations.

Lunch. Cold chicken and salad on a corner of the curtain-billowed table.

Giving Pussy Purr-Mew a bit of white meat when Emma brought in the mail.

A breathless sorting. Three circulars, and a blue-laced post card from Geneva.

No mauve envelope! But only half-past 1.

Another afternoon delivery.

If it shouldn't come? A practical joke? But how pointless!

She had read of telephone manias. Cryptic messages to names taken from the directory.

But no, that voice cultured—impressive. Not neurotic—

Still hemming curtains and conjuring improbable solutions when Emma swung in with the next mail.

Tossed carelessly on the ecru net—a square mauve envelope!

Helen stared—hypnotized. "Mrs. Warren E. Curtis." The posting distinguished—unmistakably feminine. Post-marked that morning, the station blurred.

Holding it to the light. But the heavy linen opaque. The stamp on crooked—indicating haste.

If she did open it—the woman, whoever she was, would never know. But that promise to destroy it unread!

Tear it up then. No, she couldn't—not yet. Wait and ask Warren.

Propping the envelope against the Sheraton knife box on the sideboard.

Hunting for her needle. Threading another with forget-it-all resolutions.

A surge of resentment. Why had she made such a promise? Why keep it? The letter legally hers—a perfect right to read it.

Why struggle against this consuming curiosity?

Curiosity! A rushing memory—Warren's breakfast-table criticism. Feminine curiosity always an indefensible target for his caustic thrusts.

No, she wouldn't open it! A supreme

chance to prove she wasn't overcurious.

Give it to him unopened. See what he would do. What would be his reaction?

Hemming endless yards of net with distraction-seeking industry. The long rainy afternoon uninterrupted.

At 5, Helen folded up the not-quite-finished curtains.

Again examining the letter. Tilting the shade on a bracket lamp—holding the envelope against the bulb. But no glimpse of writing within.

Slipping it under the antique altar cloth on the sideboard. Leave it there—out of sight until Warren came.

A supervising visit to the kitchen. Braving Emma's exuded disapproval.

Then bathing, dressing. The before-dinner routine automatic—still obsessed by that mystifying letter.

Warren had said he might be late. Perched on the library window-seat, she looked down on the rain-gleamed street. Glistening umbrellas. Taxi tops like shiny beetles.

One drawing up. A familiar gray overcoat.

Flying to the hall door. Holding it open when Warren stepped from the elevator.

"Hello, Kitten!" shaking his rain-splotched coat. "That darned umbrella—must've left it in the subway."

But Helen for once not perturbed by his umbrella carelessness.

"Dear, what do you think?" an eager tug at his lapel. "The strangest thing—"

"Dinner ready!" stalking past her to his room. "Well, let her make it snappy. Starved."

Wait till he was washed up. Better still, till after dinner.

But her impatience compelling. The moment he slumped into his chair, handing him the tormenting mauve envelope.

"What's this? Addressed to you," tossing it over.

"Dear, do you know that writing?" breathlessly.

"No," shaking out his napkin. "What about it?"

"Look again!" her voice tense. "Isn't it at all familiar?"

"Not to me. Why the excitement?"

"Oh, the most mysterious thing! This morning a woman phoned—said a letter was coming—in a mauve envelope. And she begged me not to open it!"

"Huh, what's the big idea?" crunching a stalk of celery. "Who was she?"

"I don't know! I didn't recognize her voice—and she wouldn't tell me!"

"Wouldn't, eh? Aha, the real stuff!" as Emma brought in the cream of asparagus

soup. "Wow, that's hot!"

"Dear, do listen—tell me what you think! It's maddening—I've been worrying all day. What can it be?"

"Open it and find out," breaking a cheese stick.

"I promised not to! It doesn't seem quite fair—"

"Why not? Anonymous call—worse'n an anonymous letter. Any one who don't give a name gets blame little consideration from me!"

"Then you think it's all right to open it? But I did promise—"

"Well, I didn't! Here, pitch it over."

Ruthlessly slitting the nap with his knife.

Scanning the mauve sheet.

"Of all the nerve!" an irate sputter.

"What is it? Oh, don't—give it to me!"

Pussy Purr-Mew scampering over the rug after the crumpled letter.

Helen swooping down. Snatching it up.

Smoothing it—

Typewritten!

"We knew you would open it!"

"You may be indignant at first. But from our knowledge of feminine psychology, just as we knew you would open this, we know you will be glad you did!"

"An unusual approach? Yes, because we have an unusual product—for an unusual clientele!"

"Just fill out the inclosed card. Like Aladdin's genii, our representative will appear! And no magic gift could bring more satisfaction than the one he will demonstrate—Elliott's Electricizer!"

"The magic massage machine that at last ends the quest for eternal youth!"

Mingled amazement and resentment as she stared at the strategic "ad."

The mortifying memory of all her dramatic theories. Her far-fetched solutions. Her anguished weighing of ethical problems—taken!

At least she hadn't opened it! Warren

Stealing a cautious glance. Grimly disapproving his soup.

"Dear, you must admit it was clever," reading the inclosed sales letter. "These advertising people do know psychology."

"Psychology—not!" snarled, pushing back his plate. "Not takin' much of a chance. Pull that stunt on a bunch of giddy females and know their curiosity'll make 'em fall."

"But, dear, I didn't open it—you did!"

"Curiosity?" Who, me?" he bellowed.

"What in blazes do I care 'bout your fool letters? You were throwin' fits there—didn't want to see you suffer. Now pitch that darn thing in the wastebasket—that's the place for those trick ads!"

(Copyright, 1928.)

Next Week—Out of the Past.

Christmas Conspiracies

by Edgar A. Guest

A dad with Christmas coming on
Fights single-handed everyone,
With plots and schemes and
cunning deep.
Insistently at him they keep,
Intent his stubborn will to
break
With such assaults that love
can make.
Even she, who swore she would
obey
Turns traitor for the Christ-
mas day.
Fights single-handed every-
one;

Now she is on the youngster's
side!
Daughter and son have now
conspired
To win from me a joy desired,
Mother and daughter also
merge
To gratify a common urge,
With little hints shot out at
tea
All forces now beleaguer me.
Alone I stand, with none to
aid,
Against this Christmas can-
nonade.

"Leave it to me," she tells the
lad.
"I'll join with you against
your dad.
That car you wish I'm sure
we'll win,
I'll wheedle him till he gives
in."

Mother and Janet likewise
plot,
I am the target for the lot.
And well I know that I must
fall,
Once this mad whim we both
denied.

Ah, well, you know how
mothers are!

The boy is asking for a car.
And she supports him in the
plea
Lending her aid to conquer
me.
He fires at me from left and
right,
The mother takes the field at
night.
Once this mad whim we both
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Merry Christmas 1928



DELEGATES
THRILLED by air
maneuvers during re-
cent Washington
conference.
Henry Miller Service.



EARLY CHRISTMAS
FOR THESE KIDDIES.
"Uncle Robert," annual
benefactor of the poor, gave
a party aboard the giant
liner Leviathan in New
York on December 3, as-
sisted, of course, by Santa
Claus.

Associated Press Photo.

INSPECTING DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
AIR MARKERS. Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and
Henry Ford, snapped during the recent Aeronauti-
cal Conference held in the Capital.

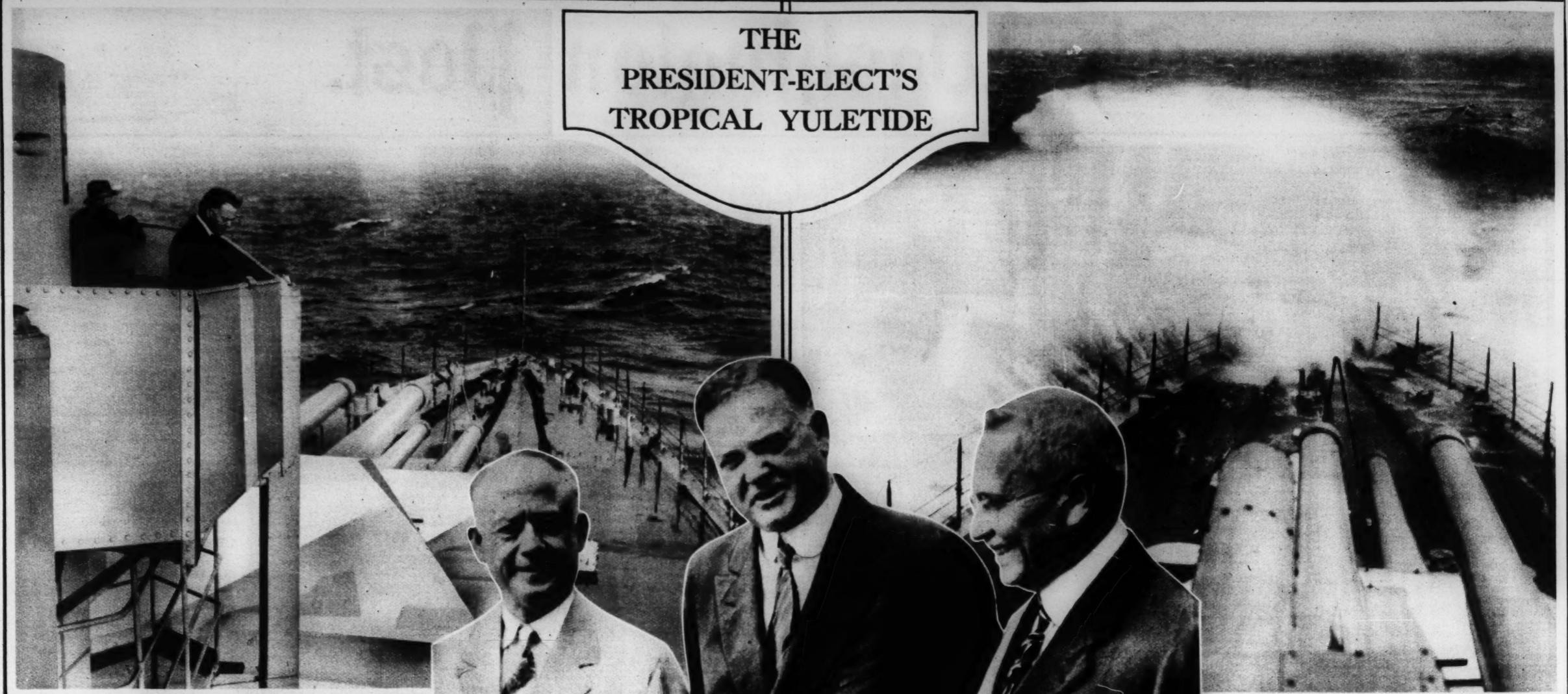
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TWO WELL-KNOWN GENTLEMEN CONFER IN
NEW YORK. Governor-elect Franklin D. Roosevelt and
Gov. Alfred E. Smith of New York go over details of the
executive budget at the home of the former on East Sixty-
fifth street.

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THE
PRESIDENT-ELECT'S
TROPICAL YULETIDE

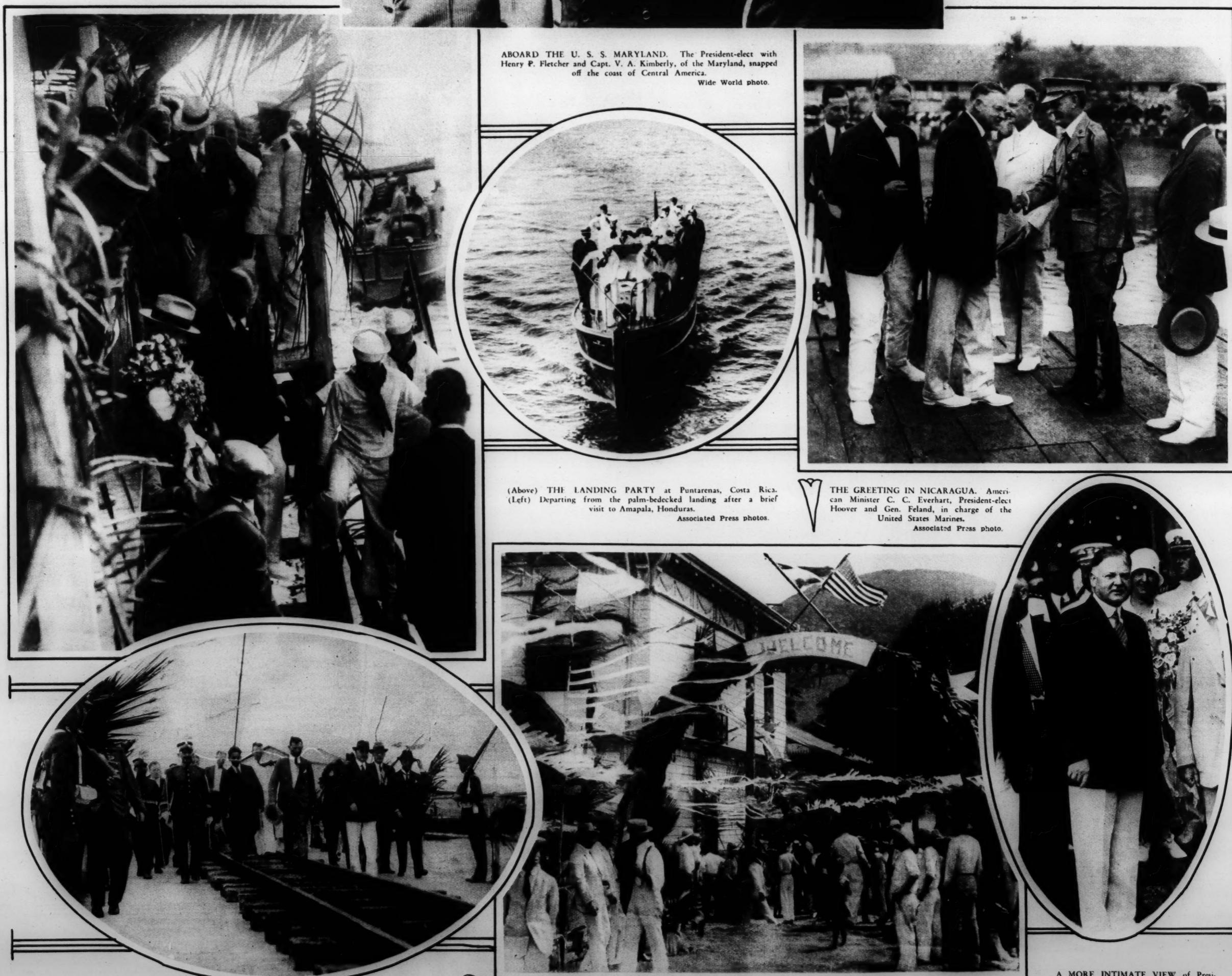


PRESIDENT-ELECT HERBERT HOOVER WATCHES A STORM at sea from the bridge of the U. S. S. Maryland, shortly after embarking upon his South American good will trip.

Associated Press photo.

THE PROW OF THE MARYLAND NOSING THROUGH A HEAVY SEA whipped up by a 70-mile gale shortly after the departure from California.

Associated Press photo.



(Above) THE LANDING PARTY at Puntarenas, Costa Rica. (Left) Departing from the palm-decked landing after a brief visit to Amapala, Honduras.

Associated Press photos.

THE GREETING IN NICARAGUA. American Minister C. C. Everhart, President-elect Hoover and Gen. Feland, in charge of the United States Marines.

Associated Press photo.

A MILITARY TOUCH MARKED THE ARRIVAL OF THE AMERICAN JUNKET at the picturesque port of L'Union, Salvador, where an enthusiastic welcome was accorded the President-elect.

Associated Press photo.

THE WELCOMING FIESTA THAT GREETED THE HOOVER PARTY upon their arrival at Amapala, Honduras.

Associated Press photo.

A MORE INTIMATE VIEW of President-elect Herbert Hoover, Mrs. Hoover taken during the visit to the sister republic to the South.

Associated Press photo.



THE LITTLE TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, as it appears today at Christmas time.

Near East Relief Photo.

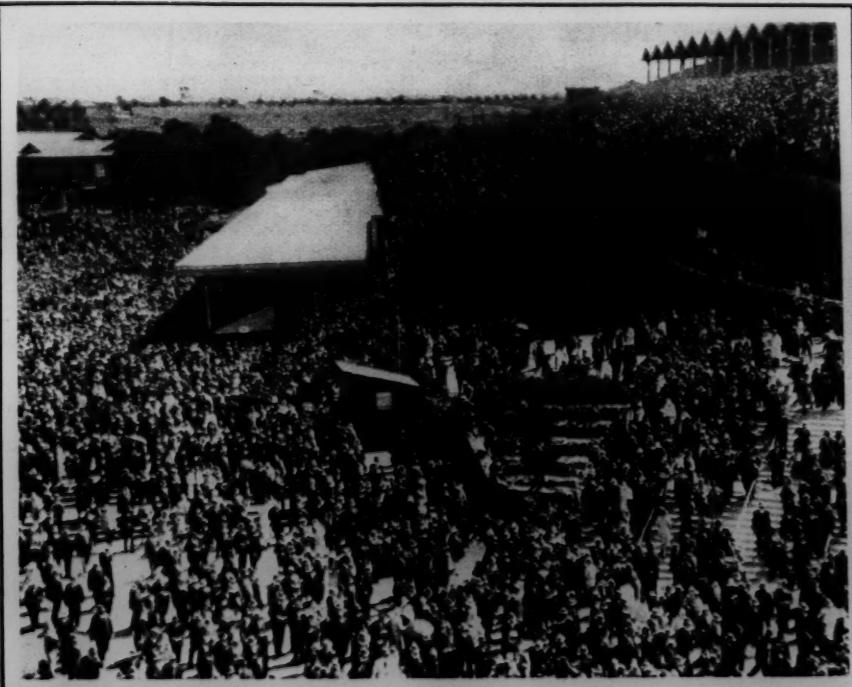


"I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old, familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of Peace on Earth, Good Will to Men."

M-G-M Photo.

CROESUS IN FRONT OF THE CASEMENTS.
John D. Rockefeller leaving his Florida home for the winter's first round of golf at Ormond.

Associated Press Photo.



A RACING CROWD AT MELBOURNE. 120,000 people jam the course to see the running of the Melbourne Sweepstakes, contested for the fifty-first time over a 2-mile course.

Henry Miller Service.



CONGRATULATIONS ON TWENTY YEARS' SERVICE. Chief Justice Taft felicitating Col. Ernest P. Bicknell, for two decades in Red Cross foreign work.

Underwood & Underwood.



ATTEND PAN-AMERICAN CONFERENCE. The President and Mrs. Coolidge, accompanied by Dwight Morrow, American Ambassador to Mexico, at the entrance to the Pan-American Building.

Wide World Photo.



HOME FROM EUROPEAN TRIUMPHS. Grace Moore, of the Metropolitan Opera, returns to America on the Berengaria.

Associated Press Photo.



THE CAMARADERIE OF SPORT. A few of the Berks and Bucks staghounds make friends with one of the youngest members of the hunt at a meet in England.

Wide World Photo.



A GEM OF CHRISTIAN ART donated to the Holy Rosary Church, Third and F Streets, by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Gatti. Pulpit of Carrara marble with bronze panels made in Italy by Cav. Antonio Bozzano.

Hugh Miller, Post Staff.



KNOTTY PROBLEMS HIS DISH. "Old Harry," 75-year-old Britisher, noted for his knowledge of the various knots used by man, past, present and probably future.

Henry Miller Service.



THE FOURTH ESTATE GOES GUNNING.

This group of nimrods includes Ben Ames Williams, Robert H. Davis, Ray Long, John Oliver La Gorce, Roy Howard, Tom Shipp and other noted publishers, authors and journalists on the coastal islands of Georgia.

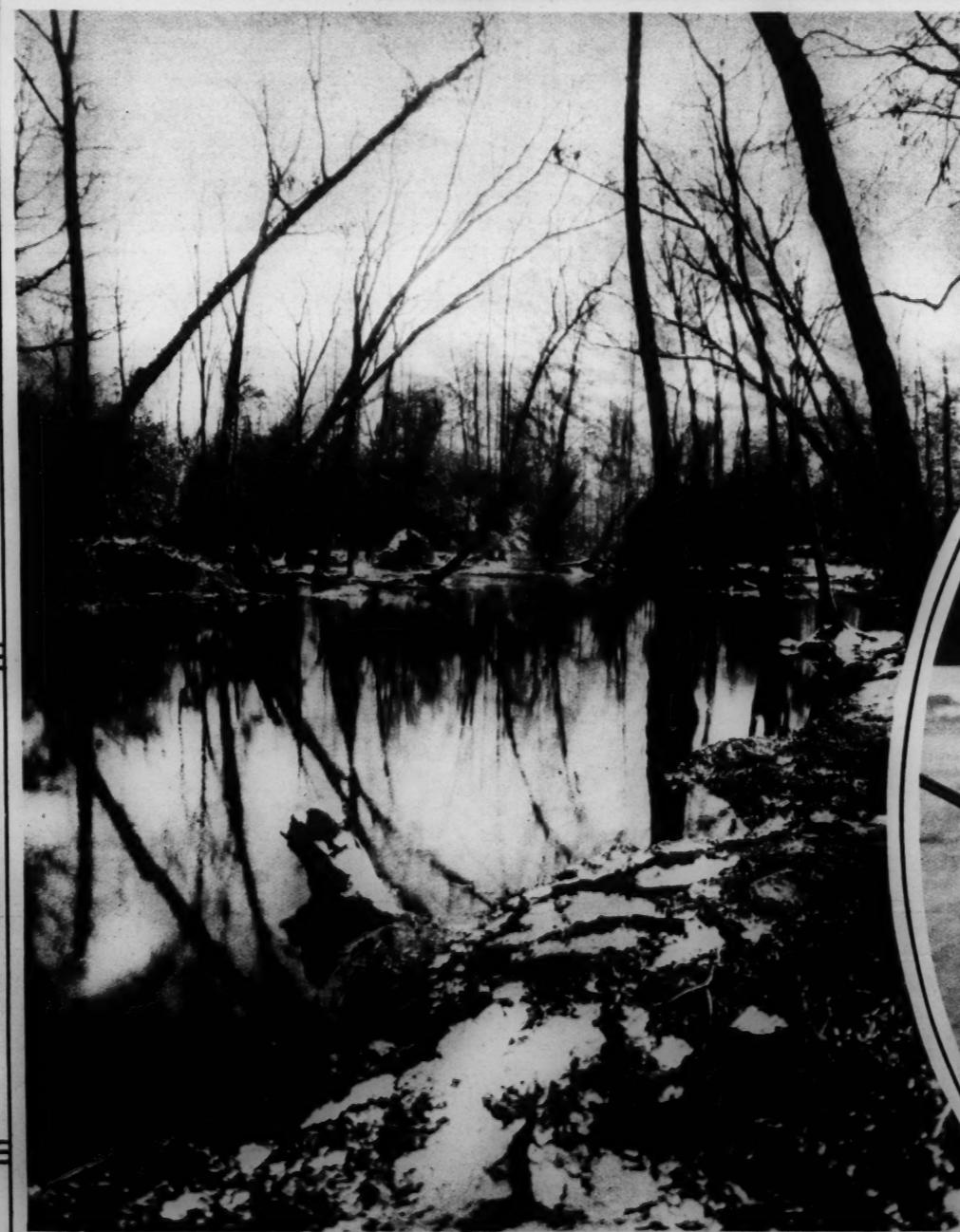
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TALLULAH BANKHEAD, ACTRESS - daughter of Representative William B. Bankhead, of Alabama, and her fiance.

Count Anthony de Bosdari, whom she will marry in January.

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VIRGINIA'S FIRST SNOWFALL. Scene along the Chickahominy River, where McClellan and his army made their way during the Civil War.

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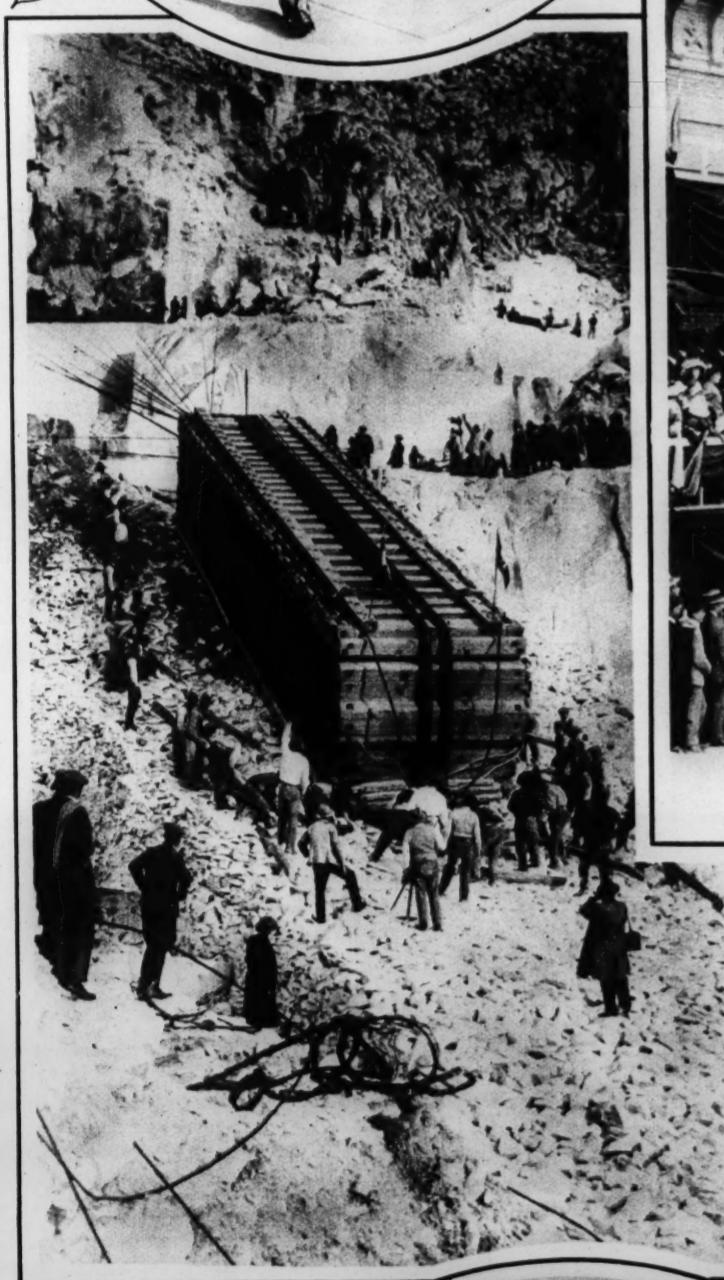


TUTORED BY LINDY'S FIRST TEACHER. Kathryn Crawford, screen player is being taught to pilot a plane by Otto Timm.



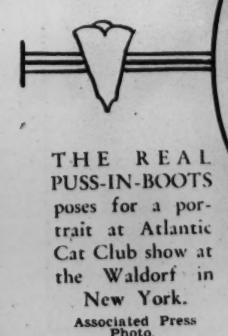
Above—PAN-AMERICAN CONCILIATION PARLEY MEETS IN WASHINGTON. Secretary of State Frank B. Kellogg is shown speaking at the opening session. Left—Vice President and Mrs. Charles G. Dawes arriving at the Pan-American Union. Right—Secretary of State Kellogg and Dwight Morrow, American Ambassador to Mexico, as they arrive at the conference.

Underwood & Underwood, Wide World and Henry Miller Photos.



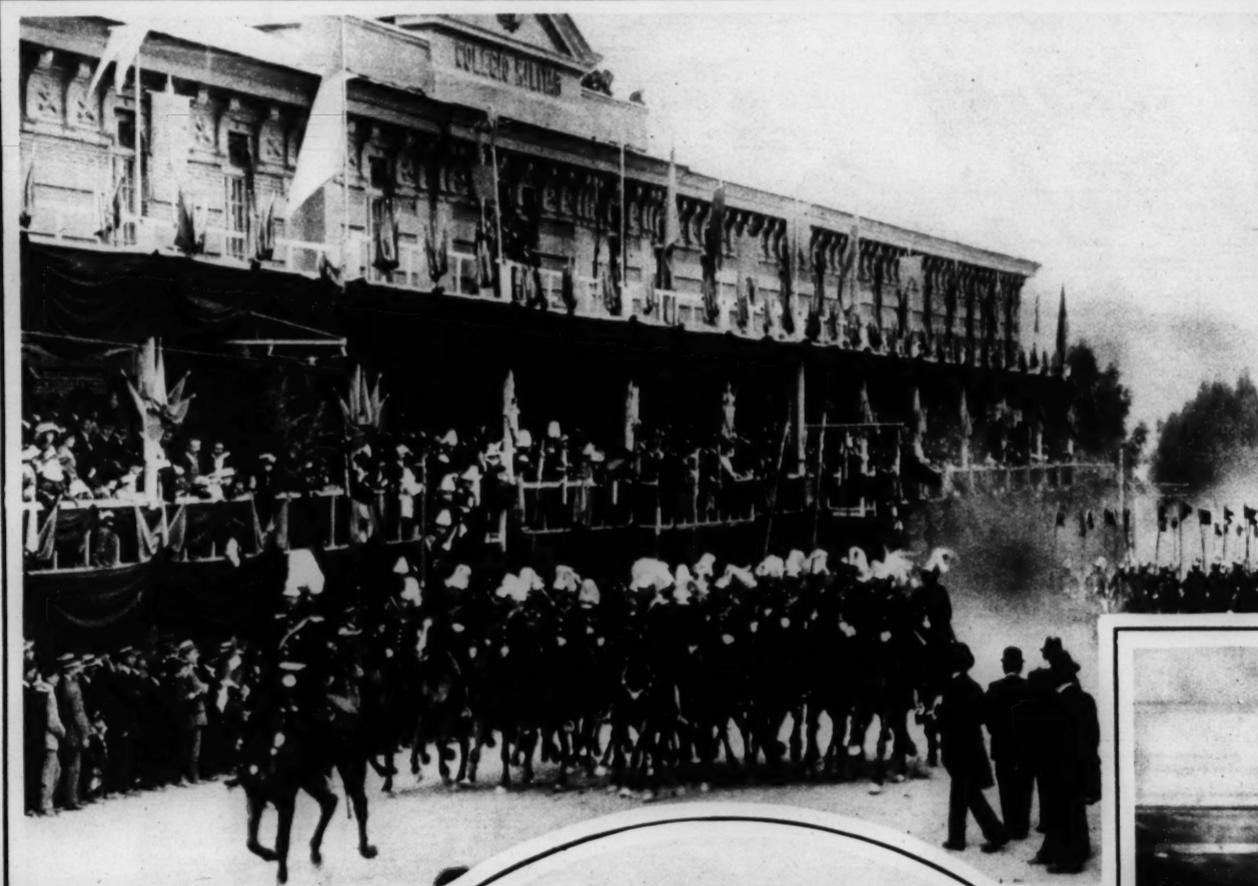
50-TON MARBLE BLOCK for obelisk at Mussolini Stadium in Rome on its way.

Wide World Photo.



THE REAL PUSS-IN-BOOTS poses for a portrait at Atlantic Cat Club show at the Waldorf in New York.

Associated Press Photo.



MOBILIZED FOR WAR. Bolivian troops held in readiness for clash with Paraguay—a threat disturbing to the Pan-American Conference. Henry Miller Service.



STAR TAKES A CHANCE. Reed Howes, of the films, changes airplanes in midair without aid of a double.

Wide World Photo.



LINDY'S SPECIALLY DESIGNED AERIAL OFFICE. An interior view of the Columbus, showing desk where Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and other air transport officials will work while flying.

Associated Press Photo.



SOME ONE MUST HAVE HAD A WHALE OF A TIME, judging from the size of this catch hauled up on the sands of a convenient beach in Norway. Plenty of sperm oil for the electric lights now!

Henry Miller Service.



HOW A SINKING SHIP LOOKS just before the plunge. German training bark Pommern, sank without loss of life off Guernsey, England.

Wide World photo.



THE RUSH IS ON to mail those letters to Santa Claus. Associated Press photo.



A PROSPECTIVE WORLD'S CHAMPION. Falko von Honorsburg, owned by Virginia Honors, Swampscott, Mass., can clear 11 feet 3 1/2 inches.

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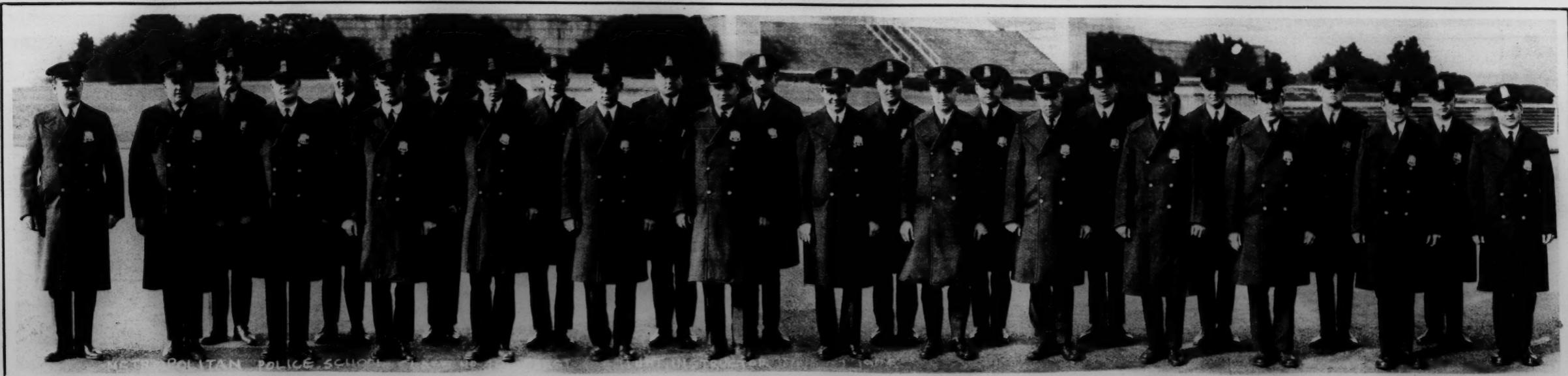


MISS MARGARET LAMBIE, recently admitted to practice before Supreme Court. Harris & Ewing photo.



A GAME OF PUSH-BALL ON HORSE-BACK in the snow at Wenonah Military Academy is not necessarily snow-balling.

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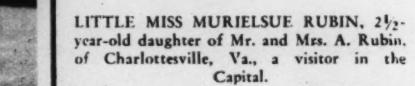
NEW MEMBERS OF THE FORCE. Class No. 40 of the Metropolitan Police School, drilled in their duties under the personal instruction of Sergt. A. S. Hunt, shown at left.



SUNKIST CALIFORNIA BEAUTIES. Otherwise the male chorus of the University of Southern California Dental College's annual burlesque staged in Los Angeles.

Associated Press Photo.

LITTLE MISS MURIELSUE RUBIN, 2½-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. Rubin, of Charlottesville, Va., a visitor in the Capital.



THE APPLE-KNOCKERS WHO SUCCEED WALTER JOHNSON. Tris Speaker, who will manage the Newark Baseball Club, and Jack Onslow, formerly of St. Louis, who will be his assistant.

Associated Press Photo.



ALL MEMBERS OF SANTA'S HAPPY FAMILY. All these little folks of the land of make-believe will be in Santa Claus' Christmas pack for those who hang up their stockings.

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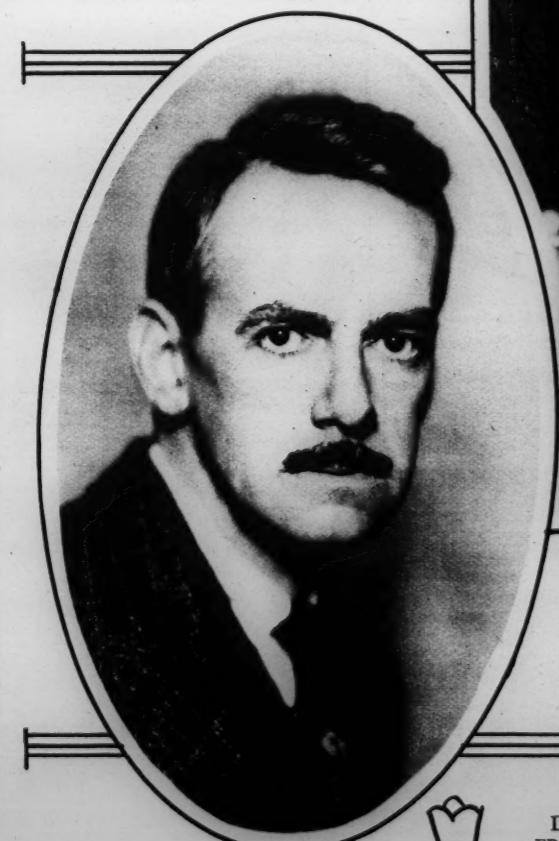
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EUGENE O'NEIL, author of "Strange Interlude," current at the National Theater, who lies seriously ill in Shanghai, China.

Photo by Nickolas Muray.

THIS CAN BE ACCOMPLISHED in The Post's "Brighter Community Xmas" contest, now running.

DECORATIVE FRIEZE, posed by Monika Dwyre and Janet Helbig, of the Stafford Pemberton dancers.





ST. LOUIS IMITATES WASHINGTON. Double street lights, such as are on many Capital thoroughfares, are adopted for the Missouri metropolis. Associated Press Photo.



WHITE GLOVES FOR THE LEATHER PUSHERS. Tommy Loughran, light heavyweight champion, examining the new dyeless mitts designed to prevent infection. Wide World Photo.



"WELL, WELL, WELL." Dorothy Drum, decorating Poli's beginning Christmas night.



JUST A REMINDER that there is still ice skating in the world, even if none here. Associated Press Photo.

Some Last Minute Gifts Suggestions



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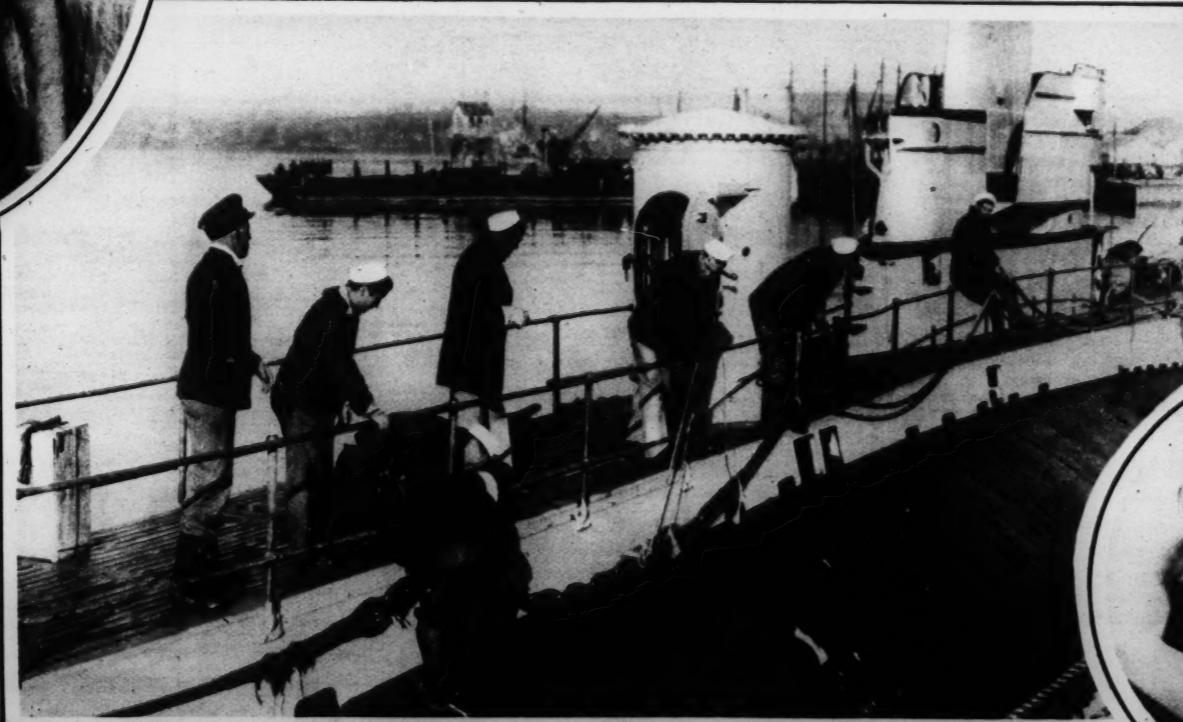
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IN COLD STORAGE. An aerial view of the Tebo Yacht Basin in Brooklyn, N.Y., where \$15,000,000 worth of pleasure craft are laid up for the winter.



SUBJECTED TO NEW SAFETY TESTS. The submarine S-4, which sank last year off Provincetown, Mass., with all her crew, being reconditioned.

Wide World Photo.

RUSSELL & DILWORTH, novelty
dancers at Wardman Park.

Photo by Aikin.



AN OLD WASHINGTON FAVORITE. Carrie Reynolds to be seen in "The Ginger Bread Man" at the Belasco this week.

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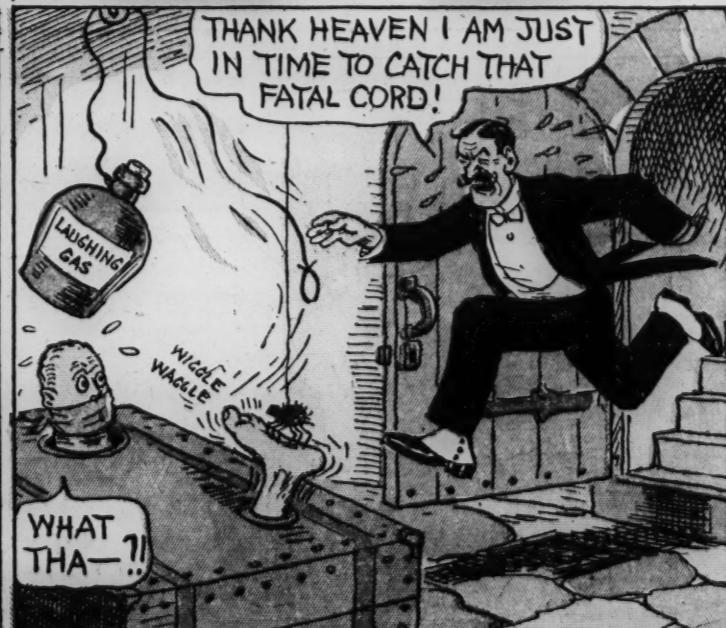
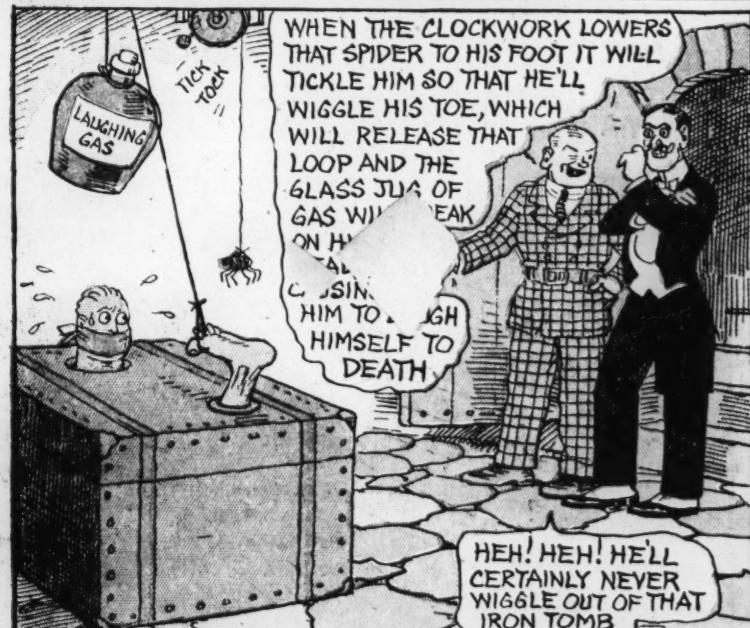
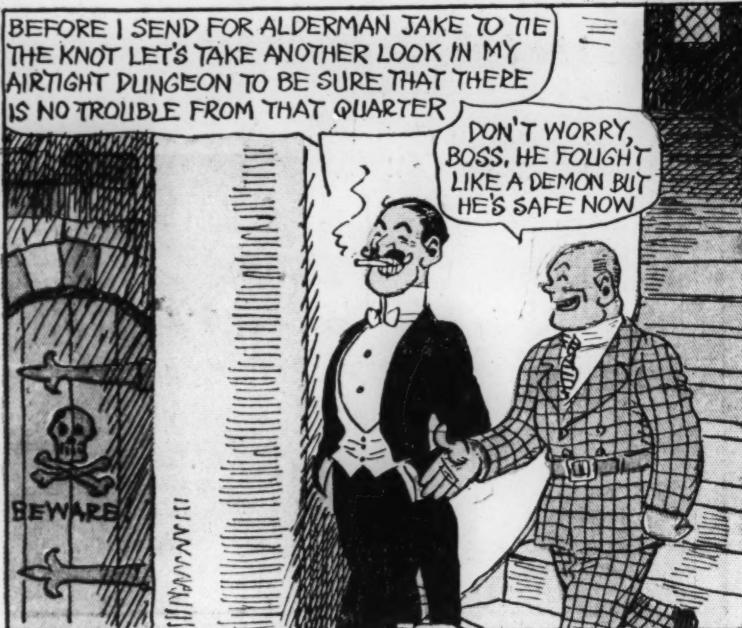
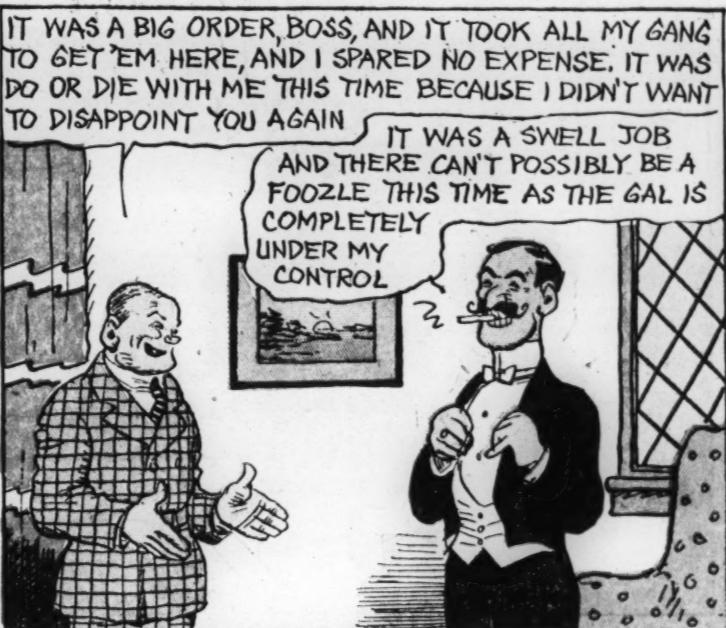
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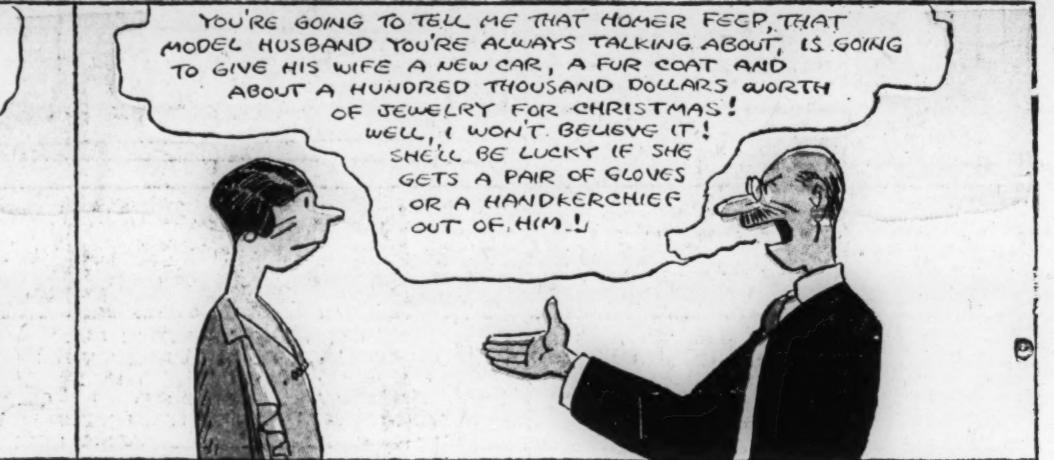


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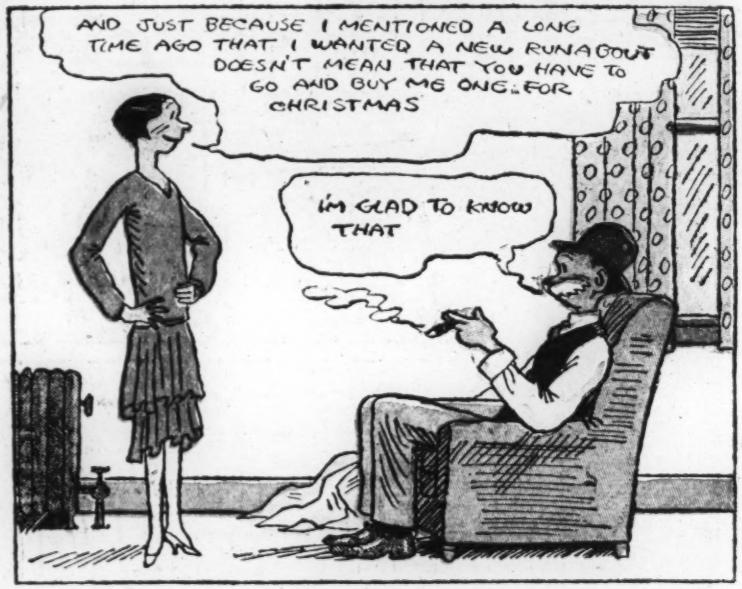
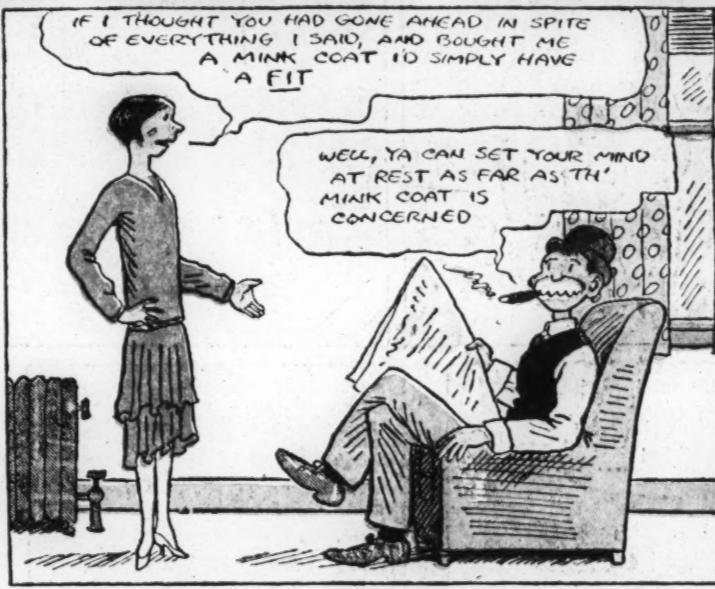
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By H. T. Webster

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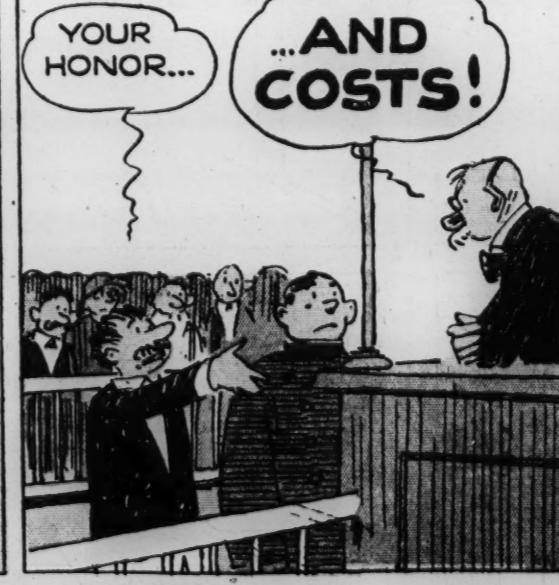
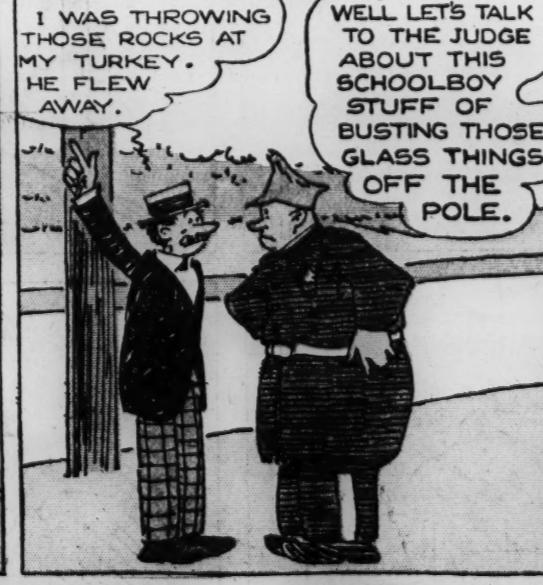
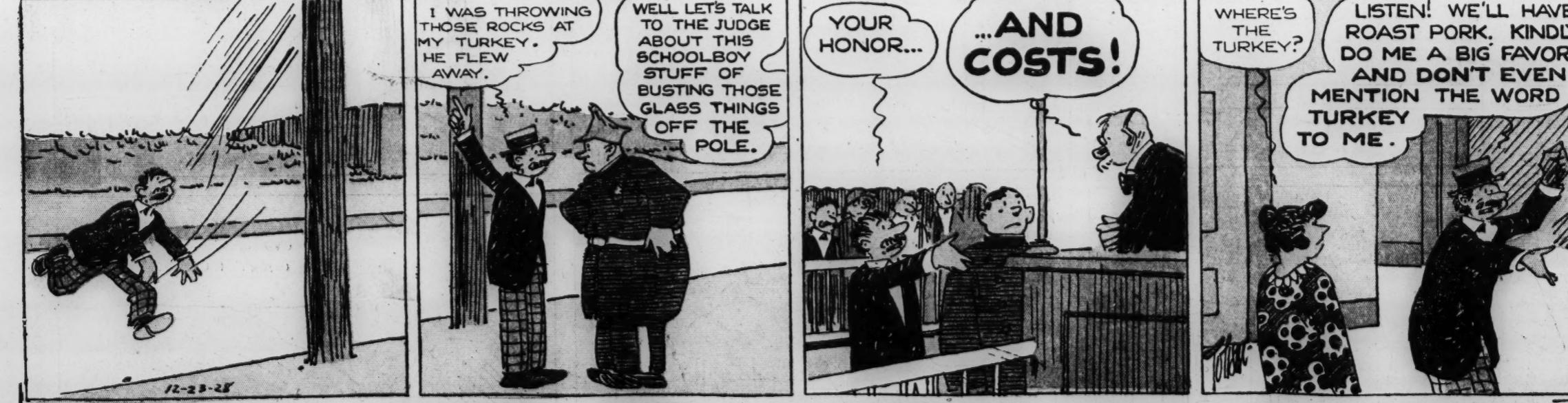
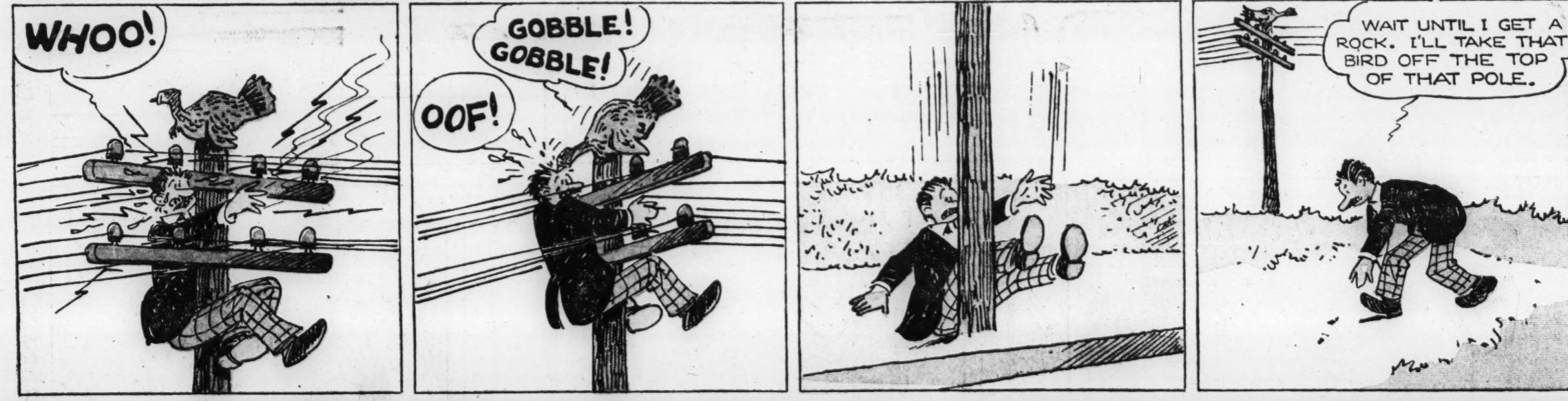
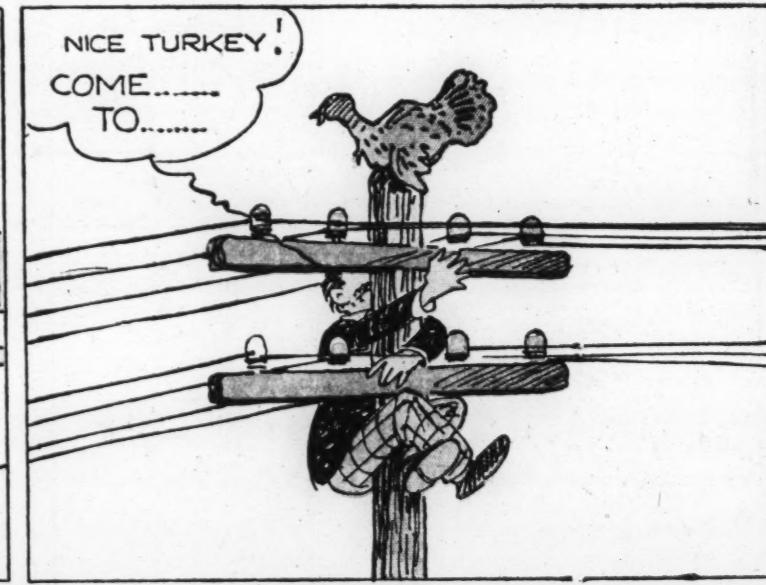
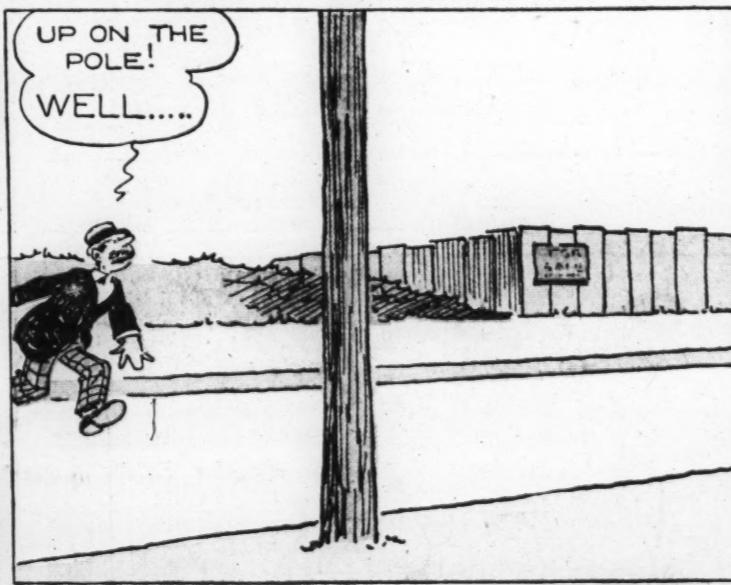
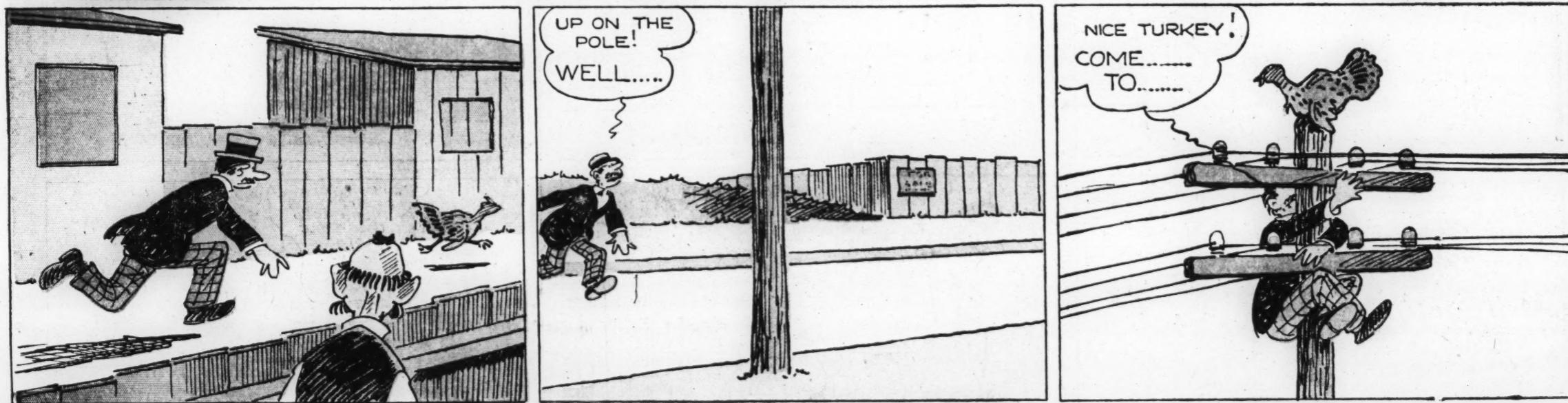




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Too Much Turkey.

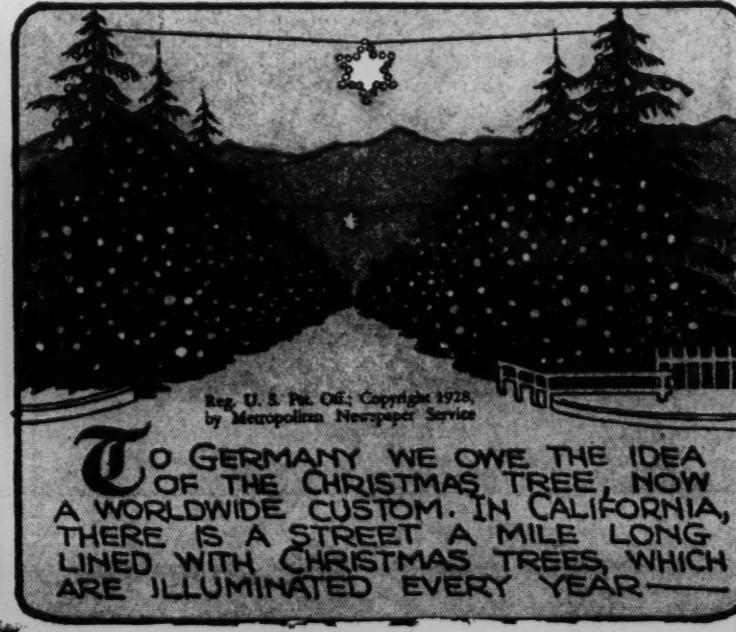
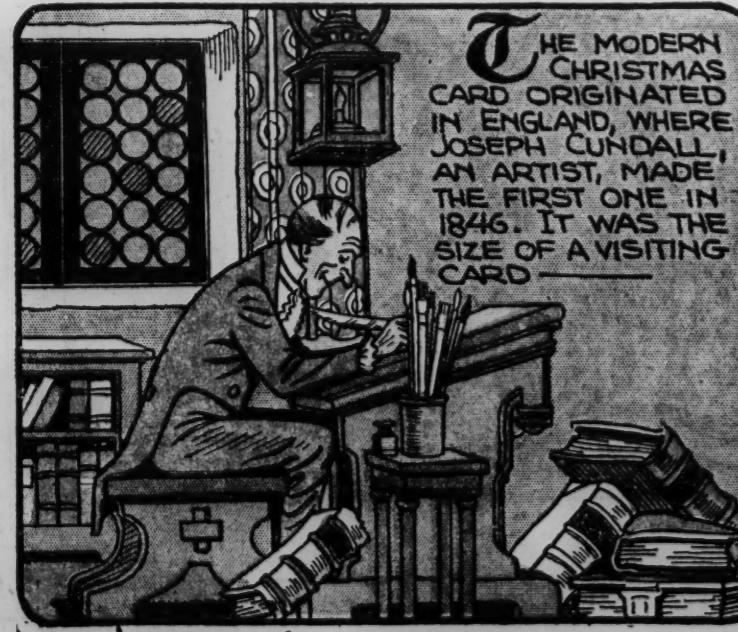
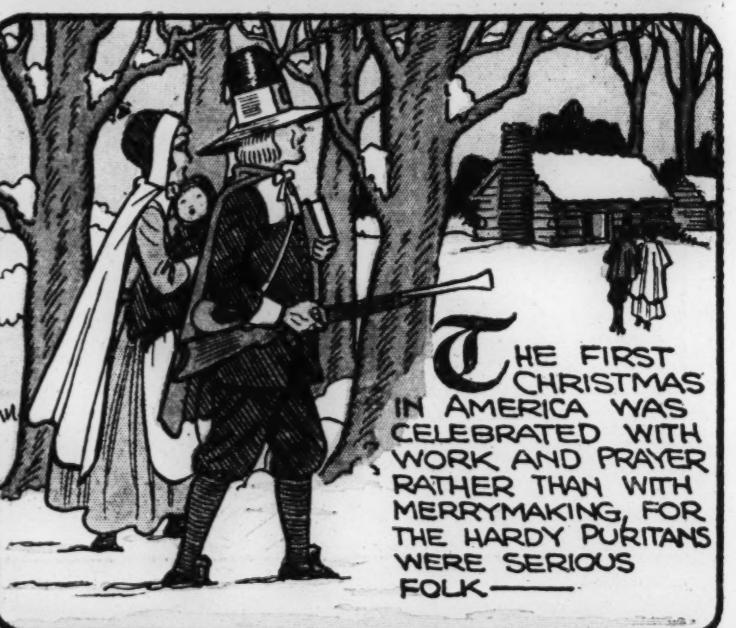
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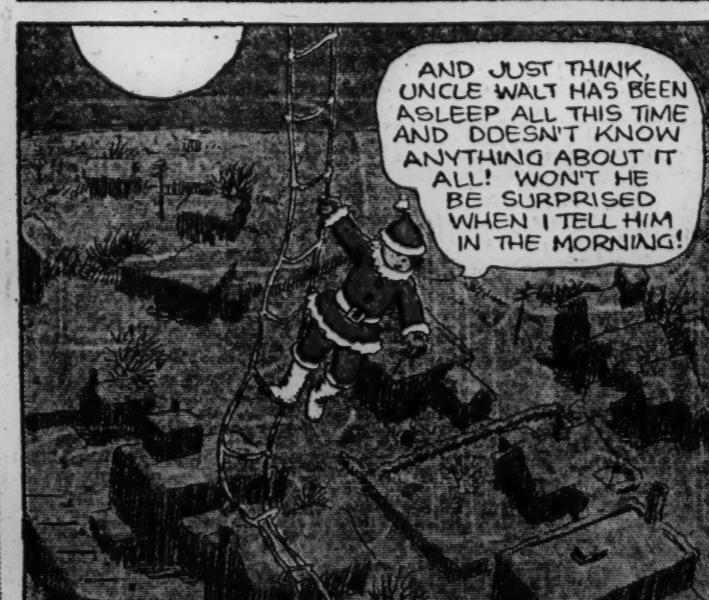
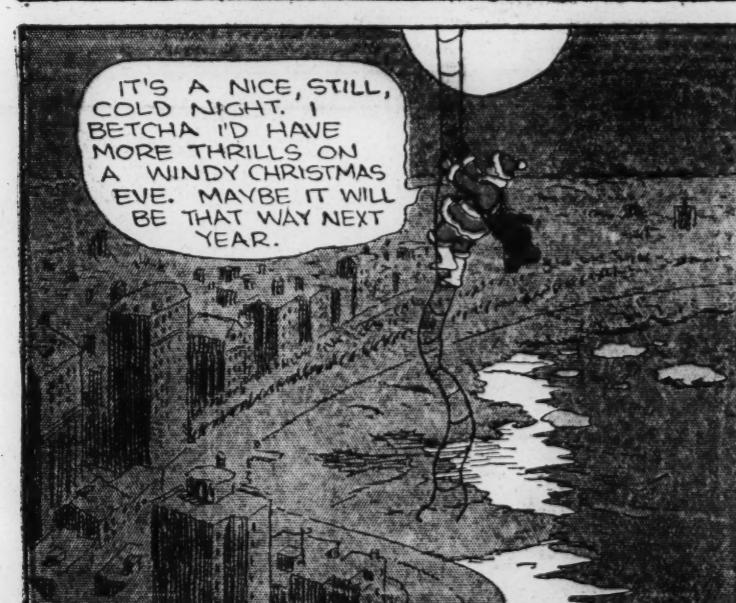


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The Junior Post.

SECTION OF THE WASHINGTON POST

WASHINGTON, D. C., DECEMBER 23, 1928.

WE ARE JUSTLY PROUD OF OUR BOYS AND GIRLS

Contributors to Junior Post Urged to Observe Xmas Spirit

Dear Post Boys and Girls—Merry Christmas to the boys and girls who read The Junior Post, one and all!

How do you like our holiday dress?

We are not boastful but we venture to state that there are few papers for Junior readers in the United States that can present as interesting a Christmas number as The Junior Post today.

What makes your editors so proud is that it is, with the exception of this letter and the Bird Quilt Book, entirely the work of The Post Junior Writers' Club, the organization of more than 2,000 boys and girls situated in all parts of this country and many foreign lands who contribute weekly the material of which The Junior Post is made.

A special cause for thankfulness is found in the fact that several of those who received honorable mention in the big new contest being conducted daily by The Washington Post are members of this club and had their first training writing for The Junior Post.

It will interest you to know that hundreds of contributions of all kinds, poems, stories, receipts, drawings, are received weekly by The Junior Post editor and the mere reading and examining of this material is quite a task. But it is a pleasant task and enlists the help of the Club Editor now and then. Each new contribution means another person, boy or girl, interested

in The Junior Post and a possible new member for the club. So do not hesitate to send in your work but try to remember the rules for originality, neatness, signing your names properly with ages, addresses and schools and, above all, writing in ink, on one side of the paper only. If you write or draw on both sides of the paper you automatically disqualify your work and all your effort has been for naught.

All over the land and in your National Capital the chimes of Christmas are ringing out peace and good will to men, the lesson of Yuletide taught to humanity by the birth of a little child. Do not make Christmas merely a day of present getting or giving. Let it mean also to you good will to your fellows in the home, the school and the playground. Then, truly, will you have a Merry Christmas and I hope a Happy New Year.

This is a wonderful age in which we are living and no boy or girl is too young or too small do his or her share in making and keeping this country great by the good deeds and noble lives of its citizens. You are the citizens of tomorrow and you must make yourselves worthy and fit for the tasks which are to be yours.

And now, as Tiny Tim said, "God bless us every one" and make this Christmas the best we have ever known.

EDITOR JUNIOR POST.

The True Spirit of Christmas.

(Honorable Mention)

"It is more blessed to give than to receive," says the Bible, the book of books. Let's think about that. Aren't you really much happier when you have given some poor little boy or girl something to make them happier than you are when you receive a gift yourself?

Of course you are. The thought that you have done something that brings great joy to some one else makes you glad yourself. You want to get busy and make some one else glad.

The real spirit of Christmas is giving some one pleasure. When Christ was born the Wise Men brought gifts. They gave us the spirit, the true spirit that we all want to keep.

What jolly fun we have, going to the stores to buy gifts, whispering in the corner about Martha's special present, and getting pretty colored tissue paper, tinsel, red and green ribbons and seals galore to wrap them in. My, I think that is one of the best things about Christmas.

Then on Christmas you tramp up to the poor family's house on the hill with your presents for the poor little children who are not expecting to have a merry Christmas.

The mother stands in the door of the humble cabin with tears in her eyes and thanks you with gratitude that is truly gratitude.

You watch the children play with the toys a while and then go down the lane, which is lined on each side with beautiful pine trees, toward home—happy, happy, happy, because you have helped some one else to be joyful on the greatest of days, Christmas, by giving!

MILDRED CLINE (age 14).

332 Cumberland street, Bristol, Va.

The Banner of Christmas.

(Honorable Mention)

All over the world for many centuries people have celebrated Christmas as Christ's Birthday. On this day one thinks of rejoicing, brother love, and the generous exchange of presents. To personify those things which people believe ought to exist, at least on this one day, the people in every country have created a person to represent their ideals.

In America this famous personage is known as "Santa Claus." Numerous myths have been woven about this figure by the fancy of the people. These highly imaginative tales are employed to inspire in youngsters a love for this man who really personifies many ideals of Christ Himself.

To the sophisticated youth from 12 to 17 years of age, however, there exists no such person as "Santa." Many of this class take great pleasure in sporting their worldly knowledge to the younger boys and girls. With such words of wisdom from such sages, some of the youngsters are beginning to lose their awe and respect and love for old "Saint Nick," in whose existence they have almost lost faith. Nevertheless the older, more mature person recognizes "Santa Claus" as one in whom all of Christendom should place faith.

Although the stories concerning him are, to say the least, extremely fanciful, he takes the place of a banner; he becomes something which binds the Christian people more closely together on this Holy Birthday.

He stands for the ideals, the hopes, and the loves of the believers in Christ, whether in this country, in Italy, or in Belgium. CLOISE CRANE (age 14).

303 E street northwest.



"Auntie, lend me one of your stockings; I want Santa Claus to bring me a fishing pole."

\$1 Cartoon Prize.

Bill's Christmas Experience.

It was a cold night in December—colder than it had been for a long time. The streets were very crowded. It was Christmas Eve and children were being tucked into their beds in warm, cozy homes and told if they did not go to sleep, Santa Claus would not come to see them.

But there was one little chap who was not being tucked into bed and heard no mother's sweet voice bidding him good night.

It was a little boy, cold and alone.

"I don't care if I did leave that 'ole' home," muttered the little boy.

"I'll never, never go back there, 'cause me'n everybody else there was treated just like dogs," he said, giving himself a little shake. "And the only thing to do now is to go to some of the boarding house and, if they'll let me, stay there all night if I run errands and do odd jobs."

He started to the nearest boarding place.

"Why indeed no, who ever heard of such a thing? Don't want any little child messing up my house," or something to that effect was the reply from each landlady.

"It ain't no use trying nowhere else, I suppose," said Bill, for that was the boy's name.

But Bill seemed to remember something he had read in an old Sunday school book the day before. I don't know, but it seemed so much like that story I read, I mean me looking everywhere for a place to stay and every where I go I'm turned down. It seems so much like the story about Joseph and Mary and the baby Jesus, when they couldn't find a place to stay," sighed Bill.

"Yes it seems a great deal like that doesn't it," said a kind voice behind him and Bill realized he had been talking out loud.

"I—I didn't know you were listening," said Bill.

"Oh I won't hurt you," answered the kind man. I want you to come home with me for you are cold and hungry. I can see it in your eyes.

At that instant Bill jumped up from his seat. "And I'll have a real bed and food and Santa Claus will come just like other kids!"

"Yes and you shall have a big story book that will tell you all about how Joseph and Mary got turned out that cold night just as you did."

RUTH RIDDLES (age 11).

Santa Claus.

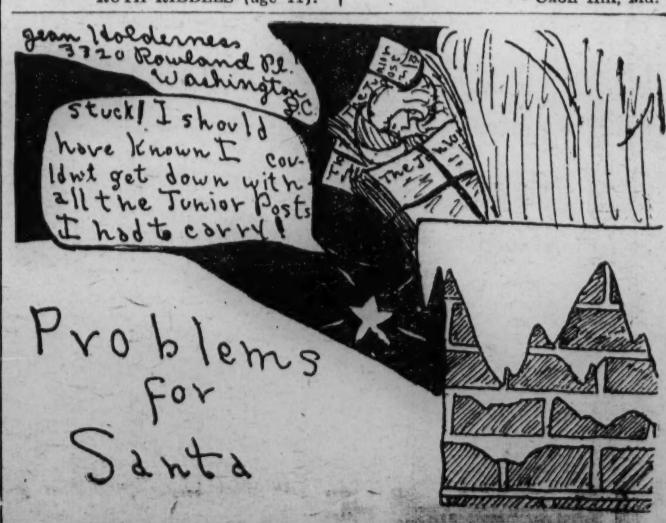
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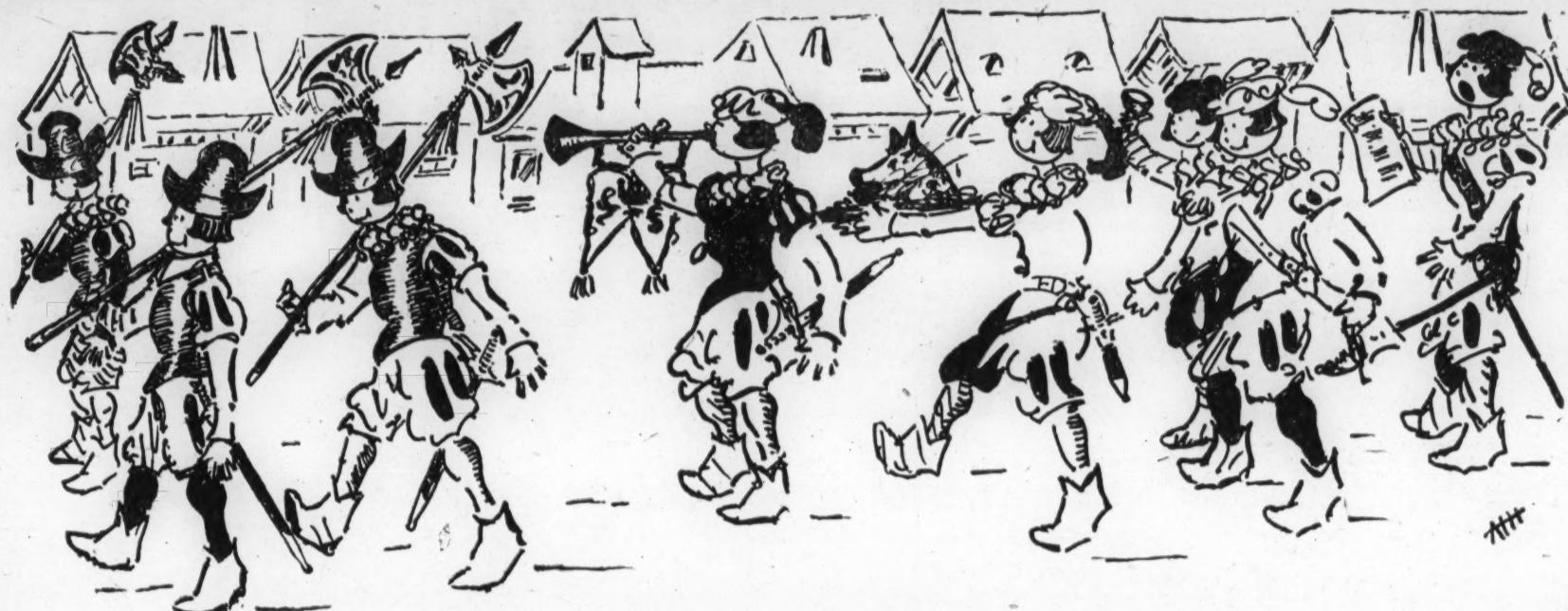
Santa Claus is a good old man; He does the best he can. He brings us toys and candy sweet; The dear old man, we'll give him a greet.

The snow is lying upon the ground; As he creeps down the chimney he makes not a sound. A bundle of toys he has flung on his back

And he looks like a peddler just opening his pack.

MARIAN SELLNER (age 10).
Oxon Hill, Md.





**"God rest you, MERRY Gentlemen—
Let nothing you dismay."**

By Alfred Hopkins,
\$2 Strip Prize.

With Our Junior Poets

Christmas.

This Christmas Eve, what fun!

Tonight Santa Claus will come.
He will come with Christmas toys
For all the good little girls and boys.

He'll trim our tree with balls and rings,
With silver stars and shiny things;
He'll fill our stockings to the top,
Then up the chimney he will hop.

On Christmas morning how happy
we'll be
When we behold our Christmas tree.
Toys and presents we'll also see,
A merry Christmas for you and me.

FRANCES MARSHALL (age 13).
2000 H Street N.W.

Christmas Time.

Christmas time is coming, oh, boy!
And all the children will sing for joy;
But though it comes just once a year,
It brings merry times and great cheer.

When Santa Claus comes in his sled,
He will look so plump and nice and red,
But if you do not go to sleep
And on the chimney your stockings
keep,

Santa Claus will continue his trip,
And down another chimney he will slip.
He will fill the stockings of the good
little girls,

And give them big dolls with long
yellow curls,
Then on his way to another house,
Where it is as quiet as a mouse,
And into the stockings, toys he will
pour,
Until the stockings hold no more.

After the bag is empty,
Into his sled he'll go;
And ride to the end of his voyage,
On the other side of the big rainbow.

MILDRED SPERLING (age 13).

Christmas.

The time of all the fun is near,
I think of all the folks so dear.
We are all looking toward a good time,
When we hear the clock strike nine.

I can see myself the day before,
Already to have fun galore,
I can see mother in her cooking cap,
Making pies and turkey and all that.

I can see how I'll be sent to bed,
And oh, the hours I dread.
But I know as soon as I lay my head,
Santa will enter and make my stockings
as heavy as lead.

No school the following day,
All I'll do is laugh and play,
So I'll expect a good time this year,
All the time when Christmas is here.

NAOMI MORGENSEIN (age 11).
609 Four-and-a-Half street northwest.

The Star of Christmas.

(Honorable Mention.)

Silence reigned o'er hill and dale
As the rose tinted dawn appeared.
Only a shepherd wending his lonely
trail

As his flocks of sheep he neared.
When lo! a brilliant star gleamed in
the sky

And the shepherd greatly feared,
As he beheld this shining wonder on
high.
E'en before the morning fog had
cleared.

Then an angel came down to the hills
On that wonderful holy morn
And announced the great glad tidings,
Our Lord, Jesus Christ, was born.

DOROTHY NOYES (age 14).
481 F street southwest.



GREETINGS

CHRISTINE
SHACKELFORD
Age 13 GRANT School

Autobiography of a Last Year Christ- mas Dolly.

(Awarded Gold Membership Pin.)

"Here we go," said Uncle Tom, "here
we go."

The horses raised their hoofs and off
we went. This was not a little sled,
but a big red one which held Patty, her
brother Bill, her mother, father, Uncle
Tom and myself.

I am Patty's best doll and she treats
me like a queen.

Over the snow we glided. Patty's
father, Uncle Tom and Bill sat in the
front seat; her mother, Patty and I in
the back. I sat on my little mother's
lap, bundled up carefully. Patty and
her mother had warm blankets around
them, too.

Oh, how the wind bit our cheeks and
how it whistled around our ears.

But before I go on telling my going
away I will stop to tell you about my
coming to Patty.

Well, last Christmas I was brought
to Patty. I was made by one of
Santa's helpers. One evening I saw
Santa come into the room. He picked
me up with a lot of other dolls and
put us in a bag, a great big bag. He
had many other things in there, too.

Oh, how dreadful to be in such a
stuffy bag with teddy bears and Jack-
in-the-boxes all around you saying
they wished you would drop out of the
bag!

Before we started off he went into a
room and took up a book which had
"Good Children" marked on it. He
opened it and said aloud, "Um, Patty
Linds, well, I'll have to give her some-
thing nice." After looking at some
other names he flung the bag over his
shoulder and out we went into the
cold night of the North Pole country.

Putting us into the big sled, he
climbed into the seat and called,
"Getty-up." Away we went, the ten
reindeers pulling the sled. Slowly we
rose into the sky and the old moon
peeped at us as if to say, "Merry
Christmas."

We finally came to a house with a
big chimney. Santa slipped down it
easily and stepped out onto the floor.
Over the fireplace there were five stock-
ings—great big one, a smaller one
and a still smaller one and two even
smaller, about the same size, one
marked "Bill" and the other "Patty."

Patty's was filled first and I was placed
on the tip top. After filling the other
stockings Santa left.

In the morning Patty and Bill
slipped down before any one else.
When Patty saw me she cried, "Oh,
Bill, look, look what I got." She
seemed to like me better than any-
thing else. Bill, even though he is a
boy, seemed to pay attention to me.

I have been carefully kept all the
year and now that we are at grand-
ma's house, I am going into dinner
with my dear Patty.

MARY GENEVIEVE BRINKMAN
6354 Georgia avenue. (age 10).

In The Editor's Letter Box

Dear Editor: I am sending you a
story about Christmas. I do hope you
will like my story, and I am going to
write some more.

We could not do without The Wash-
ington Post each Sunday. We have
taken it for fourteen years.

LOUISE YEAGER (age 13).
Gordonsville Va

Dear Editor: Since I have been read-
ing the Junior Post I have found it a
very interesting paper for boys and
girls. I am sending my first story, and
I hope it will be accepted. I want to
become a member of the Junior Post.

Hoping The Post boys and girls
much luck, I am, sincerely
CORA AGNES REES (age 14).
Pisgah, Md.

Dear Editor—I am certainly glad my
story found its place in your paper.

Betty's Christmas.

Betty was a little girl 8 years old.
One night she was studying her lessons.
Her mother said, "Betty, what do you
want for Christmas?" Betty said she
did not know, and went on with her
lessons.

One day Betty went to town. She saw
a beautiful doll she liked very much.
She decided she wanted it for Christ-
mas.

When Christmas Eve came Betty was
wondering whether or not she was going
to get the beautiful doll.

She went to bed early that night.
Betty got up very early the next morn-
ing and went down stairs and saw the
very doll she had wanted. She was
very proud of her doll and kept it for
a long time. She had lots of fun
with her.

DOROTHY BURDETTE (age 12).
Ballston, Va.

Julian's Christmas.

Once upon a time there was a little
boy, 6 years old. His name was Julian
Dudley.

Julian was a good little boy. It was
near Christmas and he was looking for
Santa Claus.

He wrote to Santa to tell him what
he wanted—electric train, bicycle and
a toy plane.

Now Mrs. Dudley was going to Wash-
ington the next day. Julian asked if
he could go too. She said yes, he
could go. He went into one of the
stores and there he saw Santa Claus,
who wanted to know what Julian
wanted for Christmas. Julian told him
and said he wanted the Junior Post
page also.

When Christmas came he got every-
thing he had wanted, but most of all
he enjoyed the Junior Post the best.

BETTY MOSS, Age 10.
415 Prince street, Alexandria, Va.

I read The Post every Sunday and
certainly enjoy it.

When will our paper be a year old?
And may I also say the continued
story, "Five Little Gift Makers," is cer-
tainly getting on fine.

But at present I don't see how the title holds true,
as there are five girls and five boys.
Although I realize it was only started
by the girls but they are all "gift
makers." This is not the others' mis-
take, but my dumbness, I suppose.

LUCILLE CARROLL.
414 Prince street, Alexandria, Va.

Dear Editor: I have been enjoying
your Junior Post very much and of
which I want to be a member with all
the members.

I hope I can be a member.
Very truly yours,
VIRGINIA BARNESLEY (age 12).
Rockville, Md.

Fannie's Christmas.

Fannie was a poor girl, but she
wanted to give her mother a nice
Christmas present. She did not know
how she would get the money to buy
her one.

A few weeks before Christmas she
went walking down the street. She met
her friend Dorothy, and so she went
with her. They began talking about
Christmas. Fannie told her about how
she was trying to get some money so
she could buy a present for her mother.

"Oh," said Dorothy, "I know how
you could easily get some money."

"How?" interrupted Fannie.
"You could write a little story, and
send it in to The Junior Post, and get
a prize of \$1," answered Dorothy.

When Fannie went home she wrote
a nice little story, and sent it in to The
Junior Post. She received a prize of
which she was very proud.

She bought her mother a nice Christ-
mas present. She thanked Dorothy for
telling her about The Junior Post, and
had been writing stories for it ever
since. CORA AGNES REES (age 14).
Pisgah, Md.

The Boy Who Saw Santa.

Once upon a time, there was a little
boy whose name was Tom. It was
Christmas Eve and Tom was in bed.
He thought he would wake up in the
night to see Santa.

When he woke up, he saw Santa
trimming the Christmas tree.

He was happy, very happy! He saw
Santa's sack full of toys! Santa was
putting candy canes on the Christmas
tree. He had an elephant in his hand.
There was a kiddie-car under the
table. So this little boy knew he was
getting some toys. Santa had not forgotten
Tom! MILDRED HOLTZ.
505 C street northeast.

Application for Membership Pin

Editor Junior Post, The Washington Post, Washington, D. C.:

I hereby apply for a membership pin of The Washington Post Junior
Writers Club. My (fill in story, poem or drawing)
appeared on The Post Boys and Girls Page, Sunday 192.....
through which I earned my membership.

Full name.....

Address.....

Age School

Fill out and mail this blank promptly and instructions when and where
to call for your pin will be sent to you.



Associated Press Photo.
Prof. Collie, of the Canine College of Dogology, settles down for a
comfortable evening of serious reading.

Tiny Tots Corner

A Happy Christmas.

A long time ago, in a very cold country, there lived two little children named Mary and James.

It was almost Christmas and they had but little food for they were very poor.

Mary wished for a big doll; James wished for a wagon.

So Mary worked hard for a lady in her kitchen while James chopped wood and packed it under the shed.

At the end of the week they had earned enough to buy some food and a doll and a small wagon.

So Mary and James spent a happy Christmas with their new toys.

MARY LEE CAVANAUGH.

Age 8. 300 Carroll avenue,

Takoma Park, Md.

Mary Jane's Christmas

Mary Jane was a poor little girl who lived in the slums of London. She had to sell matches to earn a living, and very often she came back to the slums penniless.

She was alone in the world with no one to love and protect her.

It was Christmas Eve. Mary Jane walked sadly along the street peddling matches. The snow was very deep and people paid no attention to her as they hurried home, anxious to be by the warm fire. As she was crossing the street suddenly a car darted forward and knocked her down.

There was a screech and grinding of brakes, accompanied by a scream as the people dashed toward the scene. A rich man, whose name was Col. Tarver, got out of the car and hurried to the spot where she lay. He picked her up and ordered the chauffeur to drive to the nearest hospital.

Fortunately she was not hurt very badly and suffered more from fright than injuries so she soon recovered.

Christmas day she was moved to Mrs. Tarver's home and what a sight she beheld. There was a large and beautiful Christmas tree with many toys under it, all wonder of wonders for her. She discovered she was Col. Tarver's long lost daughter whom he believed to be dead, and then they lived comfortably ever after.

MARYLEE PRICE. Age 10.

818 Ninth street northwest.

My Surprise.

Last year at Christmas time I had a surprise that gave me a fright. I awoke early Christmas morning and hurried downstairs.

I ran into the parlor, where Santa had always left my things, and what was my surprise and fright when I found no Christmas tree and not a toy!

I hurried upstairs and told my mother. She said that she didn't know what could be the matter, for I had been a good girl.

I went downstairs with a heavy heart, and what a different surprise I had when I went in the dining room.

The room was filled with beautiful toys and a tree.

Santa had left my toys in a different room!

MARGUERITE SARTAIR (age 10).

602 I street northeast.

A Christmas Poem.

Oh, the moon looked down from the sky
From her perch on high,
To see a cabin below;
Half covered with snow;
No Christmas bells were ringing
And inside no voices were singing.

"Santa Claus, Santa Claus,
Please travel and do not pause
'Till you come to a cabin below
That is half covered with snow;
There the people are sad,
So please make them glad."

Said Santa, "Yes, Lady Moon, yes,
I'll do my very best!"
So when they parted
Santa Claus started;
He reached the cabin before day,
And left as many gifts as you can say.

In the morn a child came out
And looked all about.
She screamed with joy—and then
Out came a lot of merry men
Who sang, "Oh Santa Claus, we thank thee,
For making our Christmas so merry."

MIMI DAY. (age 9).

Fort Bragg, N. C.

John's Christmas.

Christmas was near and John realized it. He knew that he had stolen some cookies during the year and fussed and pouted when asked to go to the store.

The day before Christmas Eve John said, "Mother, do you think Santa Claus will bring me any toys?

"Ashes and switches," said his mother.

John grumbled out a few words and left the room.

Christmas Eve John's father came home without a tree. Did his mother really mean what she said?

John went upstairs after dinner and went to bed.

Christmas morning John got up at 5 and went downstairs.

There was a large pile of presents and lots of games and toys.

After this when he came home from school he was always ready to go to the store and asked for cookies instead of stealing them.

BURKELEY BURRELL. (age 9).
1854 Second street northwest.

An Awe-Inspiring Night of a Cave Man's Life.

A deep snow lies around the cave, which looks as though it were made of icicles. As the cave man steps outside the cave he is filled with awe, for overhead a pale moon is glowing in a velvet sky, while in the vast woods only the howling of the wolves breaks the stillness. Then he slouches inside and drops down beside the fire, still feeling the terror of that night.

MARYLEE PRICE (age 10).
818 Ninth street northwest.

Santa Claus.

Santa Claus is a fat and jolly fellow. He wears a red suit trimmed in white fur, with a red hat to match which hangs down on the side. He also has a pair of black leather boots. His hair and beard are white, his sleigh is red trimmed in gold. He is a very generous man, for he works all the year 'round so you and I will have toys on Christmas. He has a very large bag which he fills with the toys he has made during the past year.

In Holland Santa fills little wooden shoes. In Germany he fills a plate for each child with candy. In Washington and Pennsylvania and many other cities and States he fills stockings. After he fills all the stockings, plates and shoes, he then starts for his home, which is at the North Pole. When he gets home he eats a little something, then he tells his wife, Mrs. Claus, of the things he has seen on his way. Then when he gets up next morning he starts working again.

Joe's Christmas.

There was once a little boy whose name was Joe Cooper. Joe was a newspaper boy. While he was going home one evening Joe stopped at a bicycle store and saw a bicycle which he would have liked to have had very much. But alas! It cost too much. Joe had saved up \$18 and he only earned \$3.50 a week.

One evening when Joe was going home from his newspaper job he was hit by an automobile; so he thought all his money would have to be spent on doctor and hospital bills. But it happened that the car which ran over Joe belonged to a rich man.

The rich man paid all the bills and besides sent Joe a lot of nice presents to the hospital where Joe was for Christmas. But Joe was very sad because he had not gotten his bicycle.

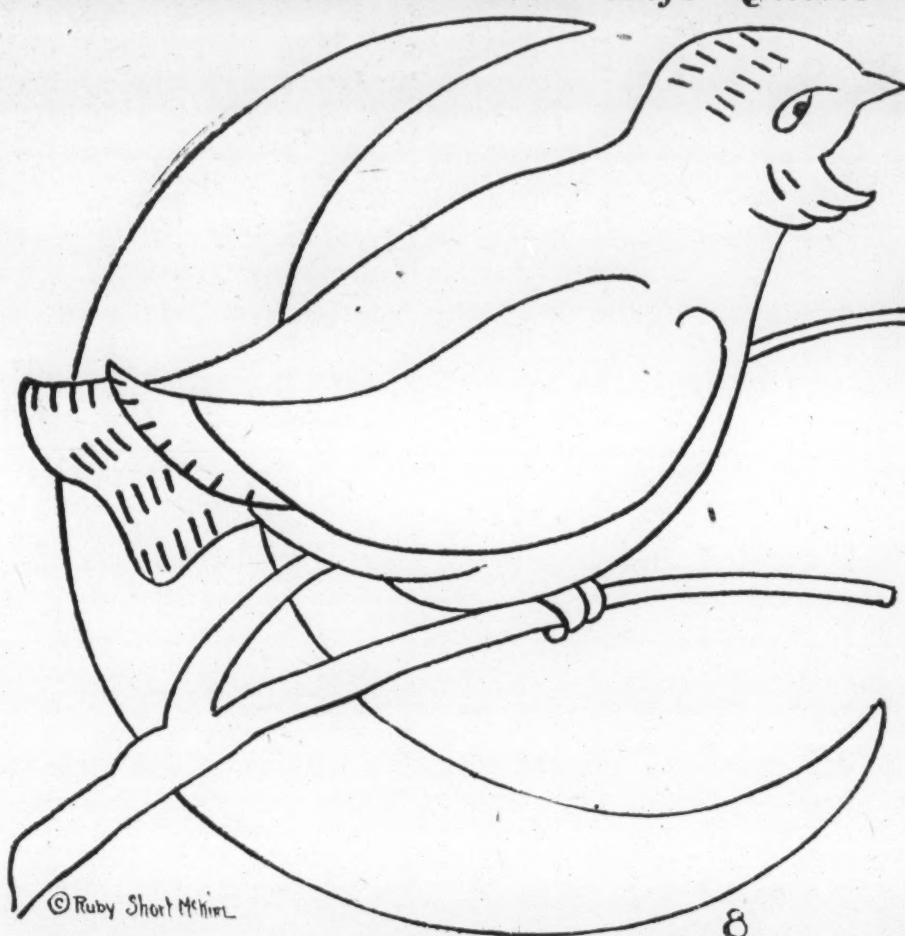
A few days later the doctor said he could go home. On his way home from his paper job he stopped at the store and saw that his bicycle was gone.

While Joe had been at the hospital the rich man visited Joe's mother, and asked her what he liked best for Christmas. And Joe's mother told him of the long-wanted bicycle. So on the way home, the rich man stopped at the store and bought the bicycle and sent it to Joe's house while he was at school.

He asked his mother if she knew anything about it but she said that she didn't. When he went to get his coat the next morning, what should he see in the closet, but his bicycle! He was so happy he even forgot his breakfast. He asked his mother if he could ride to school and she said yes. When she looked out of the window, she saw him riding like a king.

MARIANO VETTORI (age 11).
1105 New Hampshire avenue N. W.

The Audubon or Bird Life Quilts



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WHIP-POOR-WILL.

The whip-poor-will is another night bird. You all know of the boy named Will who ran away from home and when deep in the woods heard this

bird's mournful cry: "Whip-poor-Will." His conscience was already hurting pretty bad and this was enough. He made it home faster than he had come, and we hope his mother was so glad to see him that she did not follow the bird's advice.

This bird is sitting on a black limb outlined against a gold quarter moon. Her body is brown and black, with yellow on her breast and claws.

The Mice Christmas.

'Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house not a creature was stirring, except Tommy Mouse and a very disturbed mouse he was.

To think of a Christmas without any banquet was appalling! So appalling that Tommy, oblivious to the possible existence of cats or traps, paced the empty pantry floor, while the rest of the family slept disappointed sleep. Never before had the pantry been empty, but this year the people had gone away for the holidays, leaving a very vacant house.

Tommy, most ambitious of mice, had determined to get a banquet somehow, but banquet there was none. Hence his mad pacing of the pantry floor. He soon grew hot and impatient, so he went outside to cool off and rest.

Outside his attention was attracted to the house next door by sounds of revelry. The people were celebrating Christmas Eve. At once he formed a plan. His tiny eyes fairly bulging in a super-attempt to pierce the darkness, Tommy traversed the distance to the next house, searched patiently for some unobtrusive hole, and, finding one, was at last rewarded by entering a well-stocked pantry.

He could hardly suppress a squeal of delight, but being a prudent mouse, he did so. Then, after carefully marking the entrance, he scurried back to his mouse hole and awoke his twenty relatives and disclosed his plan.

Stealthily then, the procession wound its way to the next house; still more stealthily it crept into the then-empty pantry. Quietly, five of the mice lifted a huge box of cheese and began the journey back, five more quietly made off with some lettuce and crackers; another five silently procured a cake; the remaining six, the strongest of the family, began to transfer a huge jar of jam to their stalwart backs.

"Halt!" squeakily commanded a voice. "What are you doing here?" challenged a burly rat.

As the visitors' intent was quite obvious, they deemed it unnecessary to reply.

"Put everything back!" continued the rat, "or I will call out my family."

"Now, you wouldn't do that," wheedled Tommy who, after the first shock, had begun to think quickly. "Think of the spirit of brotherhood—think of the spirit of giving—think of the spirit—"

"Will you do as I said?"

"Why don't you," continued Tommy, blithely, "and your—er—family join us in a Christmas banquet tomorrow?"

"If you don't—"

"Sort of have the two families celebrate together."

"Huh!" demanded the rat.

"Oh, I'm so glad! And, of course—er—you'll bring your—er—own food!"

And the six retired gracefully.

The next night, after the 70-odd mice and rats had gorged themselves with Christmas cheer, ol' Jim, Tommy's grandfather, cleared his throat importantly and began:

"This is I am sure, the happiest Christmas our family has ever celebrated. We have been honored by the presence of our neighbor mice, and we hope that this gathering is the first of many others. Meanwhile—"

"Three cheers for our family, your family and Christmas!" interrupted Tommy.

They were given with a will.

CHARLOTTE DUBIN (age 13).

1757 K street northwest.

The Meaning of Christmas.

On every face there was a shining light.

Every one was happy whether great or small,

A myriad of stars were burning bright

O'er a babe in a lowly stall.

Twas the Lord Jesus lying there with

out fear

In that lowly manger,

With wise men and angels hovering near

To protect Him from all danger.

This babe brought into the world

righteousness

To the many suffering and in distress,

He sacrificed His life for us

Joeyfully the merry bells ring.

The angels rejoice from above

In praise to the blessed King.

Who crowned this world with love.

KATHERINE BOND (age 15).

Brandywine, Md.

Santa Claus.

Santa's dressed in red and white. He visits us on Christmas night,

On his back are pretty toys

Some which make a lot of noise,

Balls and trains and dollsies too,

Some for me and some for you.

EVELYN BROWN (age 12).

410 O street northwest.

A Happy Christmas.

"Poor little Janie Brockman, she won't have much Christmas this year," said Jenny Buwell to her friends who were in Jenny's living room talking about Christmas.

"No; since her father died her mother has been sewing for people and mother said she hardly earns enough for food and clothing, let alone gifts for Christmas."

"And we can't give them things because they're rather proud and never like to take things they didn't earn,"

"What?"

"Why, we can ask our mothers and all the people we know to give their sewing to Mrs. Brockman for her to do. Then she'd earn money and not know we helped."

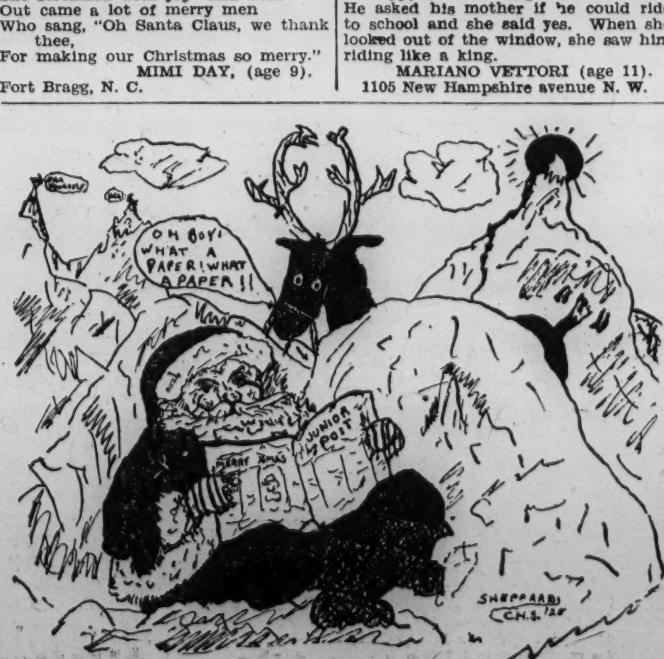
And that's exactly what they proceeded to do.

They got a lot of sewing for Mrs. Brockman to do and the people she sewed for liked it so well that they decided to have her do all their sewing and told their neighbors about the excellent work she did.

So Janie Brockman was happy at Christmas and so were a group of other girls who were assembled in Jenny's living room.

MILDRED CLINE (age 14).

832 Cumberland street, Bristol, Va.



1928



Frances Marshall, Age 13

A Big Surprise Which Brought Happiness.

Every one is getting ready for Christmas. All of the little girls and boys are wondering what Santa Claus is going to bring them.

One day when Alice was coming home from school she saw a small girl sitting on the sidewalk. Alice wished to know what she was crying about.

Alice went to the little girl and asked her why she was crying. The little girl said she had seen all of the pretty Christmas decorations in the windows of the big stores, and she would have no Christmas, because they were poor.

Alice told the little girl not to worry about that. She would get some beautiful presents.

At this reply the little girl stopped crying at once.

Alice asked what her name was.

"My name is Jean Robinson," said Jean, "and I live with my mother and grandmother in a very old house."

Alice asked if her father was dead. Jean told her that her father died in June, and that was why she knew there would be no Christmas in the Robinson household that year.

Alice was very sorry for Jean, who was 10 years of age. Alice told her to come on home with her; that she had to carry her books home.

Jean went home with Alice, who lived in a beautiful house, which made Jean think of the house she had lived in before the death of her father.

Alice's mother, Mrs. Harvey, wanted to know who the little girl was. Alice told her all about how she met Jean.

Mrs. Harvey said, "I am glad you brought Jean home with you, and she shall have a happy Christmas if nothing happens."

Jean and Alice went upstairs. Alice gave her some clothes, which pleased Jean very much. She ran home and told her mother about the nice little girl, and showed her the clothes that Alice had given her.

Jean's mother was surprised to see the clothes, and thought that Alice must be a very kind little girl.

Because Jean had some clothes, she started to school the next day, which made her life more pleasant.

When Christmas came, Jean went to see Alice, and told her not to give her anything.

That night after Jean had gone to bed, Alice went up to her home. Some one had given them a tree, but no trimmings for it. Alice went home and came back with things to decorate the tree. She also brought many presents for Jean, and her mother and father had sent gifts to Mrs. Robinson and her mother.

Mrs. Robinson thanked Alice very

much. Alice told them not to open anything until in the morning.

The next morning, very early, Jean went downstairs to get a drink of water, and when she went in the dining room she saw a tree decorated and many presents under it. This surprised Jean very much.

Jean never forgot that surprise. She went down to thank Alice for the gifts, for she knew Alice was responsible.

Alice was glad to make a poor little girl happy, which every one should do.

FRANCES REID (age 14).
Lorton, Va.

The Spirit of Christmas.

It doesn't cost much
To spread a little cheer,
And lend a helping hand
Just once in a year.

Though Christmas may come to you
With a few worries, small.
Think of those less fortunate,
Who will have no Christmas at all.

There are many who are homeless
And those who have no clothes, or
food;

A little something, most anything,
Would do them a lot of good.

So give to those who need it,
No matter how little it may be;
It will make their Christmas brighter,
And fill their hearts with glee.

For the Spirit of Christmas
Is not to receive, but give,
And by doing your part, you can show
some one.

There is something for which to live.
GEORGE HALFFPAP. (age 16).
Seat Pleasant, Md.

Christmas Secrets.

Don't you love to share a secret
With one, two, or three?
Don't you think it fun to whisper?
Let's be still as still can be.

It's great fun to s'prise your playmate,
With some loving thing you do;
And the Christmas time is nicest
And I know you think so, too.

I can see your eyes just sparkle,
I can almost guess the one
You are planning to make happy,
This is just the greatest fun.

Is it Mary? Florence? Jane?
Maybe Jackie? Buddy? or Bill?
Why, the name it doesn't matter,
But the secret surely will.

VIRGINIA BARNSLEY, R. H. S.
(age 12).
Rockville Md.

What is the true spirit of Christmas?
Christmas is a time of joy, a time to
give—not merely gifts, but love, which is
a priceless gift. You can not buy
love, nor can you steal it. Gifts are
one of the best ways of expressing love.

Is there any fun in receiving if you've
given nothing? Some say yes, but their
hearts say no, unless they have been
changed by their owner's selfishness.

Though you have received nothing, but
have given something, you have re-

ceived something, though you can not
see it. It is the priceless gift of un-

selfishness, which is indeed a precious
gift.

What is better than to be able to say
to yourself: "Mine is the gift of un-

selfishness, because I gave my part will-

ingly."

It is not what you give that counts,

but how you give it. Give what you
have willingly, though it be but little.

Is it worth giving? Then it is worth

giving willingly. It may be costly, yet

not worth giving.

If every one thought receiving the

proper spirit of Christmas, what would

Christmas be? Merely a time to sit

around to wait and see what gifts

you've received.

Give only a tiny gift, if no better

can be done. Though it is tiny, give

it in the right spirit. Those who re-

ceive gifts, in the right spirit, can not

help but feel its love. The giver, too,

is enriched. He has received the price-

less and precious gift of unselfishness.

All of you think of this at Christmas

thus it will be much happier day for

all. PAULINE M. ROGERS (age 11).

The True Spirit of Christmas.

The true spirit of Christmas is giving.

Christmas only comes once a year
and that is the twenty-fifth of December.
We keep this day as a holiday
and to worship.

When Jesus was born he was given
many precious gifts by the wise men.
On this wonderful day, we send and
give gifts to our friends and relatives.
It is a very nice thing to receive
gifts at Christmas, but it is more won-
derful and better to give gifts to those
who are sick or unable to buy pres-
ents to make them happy.

There are lots of happy and willing
children who would be very glad to
give gifts and not receive them.

We all know giving is the true spirit
of this wonderful day and receiving is
not.

Let us be thankful of this day in
remembrance of our Lord and also in
remembrance of our friends.

There is nothing like giving willingly
to others who need and want little
gifts to make their lives as happy on
Christmas Day as well as our own.

God, our Heavenly Father, made each
and every one of his people to be kind,
loving and giving to friend or foe.

Many people are sad on this happy
day, because they are forgotten by
their friends and relatives.

Giving is the true spirit of Christmas.
Isn't this so, friends?

GRACE L. A. MAYHUGH. (age 14).
Route 2, Box 89, Manassas, Va.

The True Spirit of Christmas.

(Honorable Mention.)

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Christmas.

(Awarded Gold Membership Pin)

It was December, and in the cold
twilight, silver leaves of the olives
glanced like steel swords in the wet
light. Bethlehem, snuggled in among
the hills of Judea, presented a cold
and dreary atmosphere. In the pale
twilight, the barren hills stood like
grim sentinels, guarding a precious
gem and looking down with infinite
and loving pride on the small, nest-
ling village.

It was upon this scene that the in-
fant Jesus first opened his eyes.
What a place for the birth of the "King
of Kings!" The child was born in
a barn, a cave, in the very heart of
the rock, in a manger surrounded by
lowly and restless cattle.

And then shepherds came to the place
where he lay telling a wondrous story
of how, in the deep of the night,
they had seen the sky blossom with
celestial forms and faces, and the
ether ring with celestial tongues and
songs.

Ah! What a Christmas to those
shepherds, the splendid Oriental zenith
bursting into celestial bloom and the
winter wind broken by heavenly
voices.

How docile, how silent the years!
How seeming few years had passed
until this tender infant would be
sacrificed to the sin of the world.
How soon was he to be sacrificed.

But Jesus still lives. He is in the
hearts and minds of every one, especially
at this time of year. We do honor
to the greatest of mankind, the Savior.

of humanity. Christ's final departure
from earth was a triumph. A delicate
cloud received Him and He was gone
to receive the reward due Him. Evil
never touched His spirit, and cor-
ruption never approached His body.
Ideal of sacrifice, master of suffering,
the grandest intellect and the purest
heart was Jesus Christ.

He left us the divine opportunity
of everlasting life.

Christmas is the gladdest time of all
the year, because it marks the birth
of the world's divine Savior.

MARY ATWOOD (age 14).
3814 Morrison street

The Real Christmas Spirit.

(Awarded \$1 Special Prize.)

The spirit of giving rather than that
of receiving is indeed a great spirit
prompted by kindness of heart, by gen-
erosity and the joy of seeing others
pleased through our efforts.

It is a gift itself for which we all
should ask—the generous spirit, and it
should be prized above all Christmas
gifts, small and large.

Happy in heart and mind both is he
who sacrifices a few things himself to
give something to someone else who
needs it more, and he will be more
happy in the long run, than he who
keeps all things to himself.

This is the greatest season of the
year. Christ sacrificed himself for us—
we can not show our appreciation to
Him in depriving ourselves of a few
pleasures, in doing good for others?

Let us all display the true Christ-
mas spirit, the right thought in giving,
and in doing this we shall be hap-
pier when we find those easily sac-
rificed pleasures brought so much com-
fort and joy to others who receive our
rightly given gifts.

Do we give with such a thought as
this kept in our minds? "that we shall
receive in return?" Have we been liv-
ing each Christmas under this very
wrong thought?

If so, we have been wrong and we
must correct ourselves and we must
make this a most joyful Christmas for
all, and it is certain we will if we dis-
play the true joy-giving spirit.

Let us cheer the Junior Post for
prompting such a spirit throughout the
hearts of its youthful members, for
wanting to insert within each and
every one that great and generous love
of our neighbors displayed to per-
fection in Christ.

DOROTHY M. LYNCH (age 13).

Christmas Time.

As Christmas time is drawing nigh,
All the children seem to cry,
Oh, Santa, what will you bring to me,
We are so anxious, can't you see;
Mother says if we are good,
A good as little children should,
On Christmas morning to our joy,
We'll find our stockings filled with toys.

MARIE MUSE (age 13).

Molly's Christmas.

Molly stopped her work for a minute
and began thinking. Only nine more
days till Christmas. She could hardly
believe